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C. T. H. S. REPRESENTED IN MANY COLLEGES

MANY HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ENTER COLLEGE IN MANY PARTS OF THE COUNTRY.

Only another proof of the growth of the C. T. H. S. is the fact that it is represented by its alumni in so many different colleges. Especially during the past few years has the number of college-going students increased rapidly, and the Class of 1914 promises to do double duty. A brief account of the Alumni and the college which they will attend:

Justin Kohl '13, U. of Illinois, Commerce and Finance.

* Rowena Kohl '14, University of Illinois, Literature and Arts.

Mildred Warner '14, Tudor Hall, Indiana.

Thelma Gilpin '14, Carbondale Normal, Household Science.

DeWitt Pulipher '14, University of Illinois, Literature and Arts.

James Gilley '12, University of Illinois, Electrical Engineering.

Glen Doolen '12, University of Illinois, Pharmacy.

Clem Doolen '12, University of Illinois, Landscape Gardening.

Harriet Cade '13, James Millikin University, Music.

Lucille Marshall '13, Northwestern, Literature and Arts.

George Walraven '12, James Milliken University, Commerce and Finance.

Eloise Parkinson '12, University of Illinois, Literature and Arts.

Lorin Cope '12, University of Illinois, Agriculture.

Edwin Woodward '12, Boston Technical, Agriculture.

John Heyduck '12, Northwestern, Dentistry.

Vernon Parkinson '13, Washington University, Naval Engineering.

Alfred Kinsey '11, University of Illinois, Agriculture.

Esther Storer '14, University of Illinois, Literature and Arts.

Pauline Bundy '13, Northwestern University, Literature and Arts.

Dorothy Bundy '11, Wisconsin U, Literature and Arts.

Burnham Walraven '12, University of Illinois, Electrical Engineering.

Jay Reichenbach '14, University of Illinois, Engineering.

Harold Westbrook '14, University of Illinois, Commerce and Finance.

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ATHLETIC ASSN. HOLDS IMPORTANT MEETING

**SHERMAN ELECTED MANAGER,
TOM REID SECRETARY—COACH
TROUT GIVES TALK.**

A meeting of those interested in basket ball was held in room IV last Thursday. The chief business of the meeting was the election of officers. Leon Sherman '15, who played on the basket ball team last year, was elected manager, and Tom Reid '16, treasurer of the Athletic Association. A captain will not be elected until later in the season.

Mr. Trout, the new coach, made a short speech. Mr. Trout is determined to do his best, and expects the boys to do the same; if they all pull together and support the team, and if the boys keep in condition, and obey orders, the outlook indicates a favorable season. That last year's team can never be equaled is the feeling at the beginning of each year; we felt that way last year, but nevertheless, we produced a championship team. Now let us see if we can't produce another.

Last year our basket ball men were giants—they averaged over six feet—and Freeport defeated them; Freeport's men were small compared to Centralia's, and the fact that we have comparatively small men this year should not disturb us. As Coach Trout said, "A player's ability does not depend on his size; it depends on the man." And C. T. H. S. has the men. A small man very often makes a better player than a large one; he has more endurance.

If the coach has anything to do with a team's success, and we are confident that he does, C. T. H. S. has been lucky in securing Mr. Trout. An account of his athletic experience will be found in another column.

So now let us all pull together, and if C. T. H. S. can't win a championship, at least let them make a good try at it.

Still Grinding

My head is like a factory
The windows are my eyes;
The turnage is my mouth,—you see,
I feed it meats or pies.

And when it's hunger I appease,
My head will do its share
Sometimes producing jokes like
these

And sometimes only hair.

FACULTY UNDERGOES SEVERAL CHANGES

**NEW INSTRUCTORS REPLACE RE-
SIGNED FACULTY MEMBERS
OF PAST YEAR.**

A few changes have been made in the faculty of last year, several new and efficient instructors have been obtained and the machinery of high school life is beginning to run smoothly. Of such a corps of competent instructors we are sure that we have reason to be proud.

Our new instructor in Domestic Science, Miss Helen Murray, B. S. is a graduate of the Western College for Women, and holds a B. S. degree from the University of Wisconsin.

Oscar J. Guenther, B. S. instructor in Manual Training and Agriculture, is also a graduate of the University of Wisconsin.

Miss Lydia Lee, Ph. B. instructor in English, is a graduate of the University of Chicago.

Mr. Arthur L. Trout, A. B. a graduate of Indiana University, is our coach as well as History instructor. He fills the vacancy left by our last year's coach, Mr. Stables, who is now teaching in Mt. Vernon. We should indeed consider ourselves fortunate obtaining Mr. Trout, owing to his practical knowledge of athletics. For three years Mr. Trout played on the 'varsity football team at Indiana University, one year he was center-field for the 'varsity base ball nine, and for four years he played on the class basket ball teams. Added to that he has had a course in track and field coaching.

Miss Eva Mitchell A. B. instructor in English, who has been with us the past two years, and Miss Ida Schaefer, Ph. B. Mathematics instructor, have been doing graduate work at the University of Illinois this summer; and Miss Fuller, Art and Science instructor, and Mr. Bailey, Commercial instructor, have been attending the University of Chicago.

We have Miss Inez Brunton with us again after a year's absence, and Miss Lillias Cairns, Latin instructor, who was forced to discontinue her school work for a short time last year on account of the illness of her mother. Miss Clara Erbes, who has been off duty for a few years on account of ill health is with us again as German instructor. Miss Vera Reibel who

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iness Manager.

TO THE STUDENTS OF C. T. H. S.—

We are now at the beginning of the second year in the life of "The Sphinx",— a year which we hope to make even more successful, if possible than the one that preceded it. However, in order that we may accomplish our aim, we must start right in the beginning. We have, with a few exceptions, an entirely new staff this year, but a staff which is very willing to work and anxious to learn.

But in order to make possible a huge success for our paper, we must have the interest and cooperation of every student of C. T. H. S., as well as that of the faculty, the alumni, and the townspeople. It is Your paper; You own it; is for your enjoyment; it is for you to work for; we want you to understand that, to realize it, and to accept your responsibility.

For this purpose the contribution box has been placed in the lower corridor, ready for any stray news item, literary composition, or joke from the students. While it is the advertising which makes a paper financially possible, it is the material within it which makes it interesting and readable, so let us make this our watchword from now on, "BOOST THE SPHINX."

A NEW SCHOOL

During the summer C. T. H. S. has been rejuvenated. For many weeks paper-hangers and painters have been at work on the building, painting the woodwork, papering the class rooms, and varnishing the desks. Especially the assembly hall received the closest attention, and the whole school now has more nearly attained the ideal set for it than at any time in its history.

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was with us last year has charge of a division of Science Department. Miss Eva Blair who has had charge of the Domestic Science department last year is teaching this year in Marion, Illinois.

Change In Courses

No new courses have been added this year; the landscape gardening class will not continue its work; its purpose has been accomplished. Owing to the demand for Beginning Household Arts, three classes in this course have been formed, and Chemistry will not be offered this year. Just what amount of credit will be given in music has not yet been determined, but credit in chorus and glee club work will probably be offered as usual.

CLASSES ORGANIZE.

CLASS OFFICERS ELECTED—SENIORS CHOOSE EMBLEM.

Meetings of all the classes were held Tuesday, September 8, for the purpose of organization. The reason for the early election of officers was owing to the fact that it was necessary for a new "Sphinx" board to take charge immediately. Therefore, besides its regular officers, each class elected its "Sphinx" representative. The results of the elections are as follows:

Seniors: Percy Loomis, president; Jean Pyke, vice-president; Byron Root, secretary; Ruby Smith, treasurer; Augusta Fike, "Sphinx" representative.

Juniors: Charles Kinnane, president; Genevieve Ledford, vice-president; Robert Robertson, secretary; Temple Fike, treasurer; Alden Perrine, "Sphinx" representative.

Sophomores: Gerald Kohl, president; Dorothy Bostwick, vice-president; Esther Rogers, secretary-treasurer; Myrtle Miller, "Sphinx" representative.

Freshmen: David Perrine, president; Alfred McMillan, vice-president; Irene Kelly, secretary; Zula Brown, treasurer; George Ritchie, "Sphinx" representative.

Class Selects Emblem

Besides the election of officers, the Senior class selected the emblem which will, in future, adorn the rings or pins of the various classes; these rings or pins, however, are to be worn only by Seniors. Heretofore, each class has selected its own emblem, and ordered its badge in its Junior year. Last year, however, the Junior class decided to wait until its Senior year, and at that time to select an emblem, which would become the property of every Senior Class.

The old C. T. H. S. monogram is the one which has been selected to represent the school.

FACULTY UNDERGOES SEVERAL CHANGES

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Florence Elis '10, Smith College, Literature and Arts.

Nellis Parkinson '08, James Milliken University, Commerce and Finance.

Chester Parkinson '08, Washington University, Dentistry.

Willard Boyle '11, Charleston Normal.

Wallace Bradley, Gerald Taylor, Ralph Birge, all of the class of 1914, will attend Brown's Business College this fall. The following members of the same class are teaching—Ida Broeker, Wilda Kell, David McKown, Pearl Smith, Leila Baldrige, Ruby Winemiller; Mazie Bryant and Ruth McBriarty are supplying.

Wallace Holcomb '12, is assistant food inspector for the state.

Burnham Walraven '12, who has been spending the summer in Fort Dodge, has returned home.

Mable Fowler '11, is spending the month in Colorado.

Adeline Egger '12, is taking post-graduate work at Drake University.

Lillian and Venetta Hansen '12 and '13 respectively, have moved to Danville, Illinois.

John Saxer '07, of the United States Navy, was made Lieutenant during the summer.

Orin Brown '14, is spending his vacation in the west.

Ruth Bradley, of the class of '12, is resuming her studies under Madame Zeisler in Chicago.

ALUMNI GREETINGS

As a representative of the Alumni of Centralia High School, I take pleasure in greeting the Centralia Township High School, through its organ, "The Sphinx."

I am sure that without exception each one would congratulate you upon your improved building, equipment and faculty, not forgetting the superior preparation for high school which it was your privilege to receive in the graded schools of Centralia.

The duty assigned to me is to furnish items concerning survivors of a period which seems like ancient history to the readers of "The Sphinx." However, I am told that there are some subscribers who belonged to that period. They are the only ones who may be interested in the personals which I shall have from time to time.

Cora B. Kohl '84.

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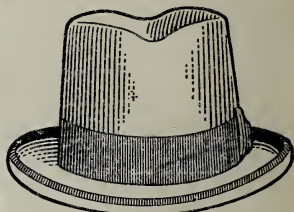
Friday, Sept. 18—"A Princess of the Desert," with Mary Fuller and Marc MacDermott, also a good Lubin drama, "Within the Noose."

Saturday, Sept. 19, "The President's Special," in two parts. A good railroad drama with Gertrude McCoy, also

BRONCHO BILLY'S WILD RIDE

Tuesday, Sept. 22, series No. 6 of "Dolly of the Dailies."

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ROSETTAS

A meeting of "The Sphinx" board was held last Wednesday in room 11 to elect the staff and consider the question of raising the subscription price of the paper from seventy-five cents to one dollar. After a discussion it was decided to let the price remain the same, although the advertising rates have been lowered. The difference in the amount secured from the advertisers will be made up by a larger circulation which the management confidently expects. At the close of the meeting George Ritchie, Freshman representative, was elected secretary of the board, and all future meetings will be recorded by him.

Two graduates of 1914, Mazie Bryant and Wendell Heaton, have enrolled as post graduates. They are doing work in physics, psychology and Oral English.

Justin Kohl '13, Reinhardt Egger '12, Bernard Rogers '12, DeWitt Pulcifer '14, Rowena Kohl '14 and Ruth Richards '14, were high school visitors last week.

AT MIDNIGHT

Silence.

Nothing but the solemn ticking of the weary clock and the faint, far-away moan of the wind disturb the awful stillness.

The lifeless gray ashes in the grate quiver ever so slightly as though in anticipation of some midnight horror.

A tiny mouse scurries across the bare floor in terror of something unknown.

And the clock slowly draws its tired hands before its eyes to shut out unwelcome sights.

A door bangs; a shutter creaks; and all is still once more.

Then a heavy footfall echoes thru the deserted corridor the wind gives a last despairing shriek and from far away is heard the laugh of a little child.

And all is silent.

An Epitaph

A little boy,
A pair of skates
A hole in the ice
The golden gates.

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SQUIBLETS

Why, Feminine?

Mr. Trout.—Miss Reed, what is your name?

Answer (Loudly)—Tom!

Visitor, (at H.S.), much alarmed.—What is that noise I hear? Has the war spread over this country, too? Student Oh, no. It's only the Frenshimen leaving class meeting.

No Cause For Alarm

Miss Mitchell.—I do not want anyone but the Juniors to take Palgrave. Freshie (overhearing)—Huh, I wouldn't take it anyway. I got all the studies I can carry.

Early To Bed

Byron.—We had a fine sunrise this morning. Did you see it James? James.—Why I'm always in bed before sunrise.

Tomorrow and tomorrow and tomorrow.

This I've put off from day to day
To the last minute of the allotted time

The study of a quickly lengthening list—

Of subjects necessary. And then there comes

The day of reckoning—that fatal day

Which in a few short hours brings deep

Humiliation, and a too well founded fear

Of flunking yet leaves us with one hard-earned

Scrap of knowledge, firmly fixed

Always do today, what you cannot Put off until tomorrow.

—“Ex.”

Miss Mitchell (wearily).—After all I've said about correct walking, most of you still go out of here on your feet.

(These teachers are startling).

He Knows

Mr. Trout (In Civics).—Who is the executive in your city, Earl? Earl.—Policeman!

Is This True?

The chief Ed. is roaring.

The Lit. Ed. is soaring.

The Joke Ed. doth giggle.

The Ad man doth wiggle.

The paper is now well begun.

One who knows

Matches.—The man across the street can't hear it thunder.

Ruby.—Is he deaf?

Matches.—No. It isn't thundering.

A psychological question came before one of the brilliant students of our high school the other day. It was this: Which came first—the hen or the egg?

Question for Freshmen

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No. 2

MODERN STABLE BEING BUILT NEAR SCHOOL

**\$1000 BUILDING TO BE USED FOR
CONVENIENCE OF COUNTRY
STUDENTS.**

The work of constructing a barn for the use of the country students was begun last week. The site selected for this purpose is one of the vacant lots east of the high school; this lot is valued at \$235. The building itself, when completed is expected to cost about \$1000. It will be thirty-six feet wide and sixty feet long; the whole lower floor to be filled in with cinders; it will be so arranged that it may accommodate nine horses and the same number of buggies, and will be a modern barn in every particular.

A stairway will lead up to the loft, which will have a wooden floor. There lockers will be arranged for the use of the students; each student will have his own private locker. In these lockers will be kept the feed for the horses, together with the buggy-whips, laprobes, saddles and harness. The mansard roof, which will add very much to the appearance of the barn, will be used on the building.

The stable is expected to be ready for the use of the students in about two weeks. It will supply a need, long felt by the country students, who have always been greatly inconvenienced by the lack of a suitable place near the school, in which to leave their horses. Last year the Board of Education contemplated the purchasing of such a lot, but one also large enough for use as an athletic field, but the lack of a suitable lot near the school resulted in the overthrow of the original plan. This year a still greater demand made upon the board, for a stable, resulted in the present purchase. Not only do the people in Centralia itself, but also the people in the entire township pay taxes toward the support of the high school. Therefore, instead of being a piece of needless extravagance, the board feels that this act on its part will only help to show the tax-payers that they are receiving some return for the money expended on C. T. H. S.

SOMETHING WRONG

The joke editor has been hanging around the Freshmen all week trying to find something funny. She has learned nothing! Things have changed since her young days.

BASKET BALL PRACTICE WILL BEGIN MONDAY

**FAST SQUAD SHOWED UP AT
PRACTICE—COACH TROUT
GIVES RULES TO BOYS**

Last Monday a hopeful and enthusiastic squad of would-be players appeared in the gym for the first practice. Many of the boys are in first class condition, having trained and practiced all summer. There was a short practice in passing and goal shooting, after which two teams were picked for a short scrimmage.

Several of the last year's men have returned and are in good condition. They are Tom Reid, Clyde Kern, Orar Cruzen and Carl Keller, of the second team, and Orville Holcomb, Percy Loomis and Leon Sherman of the first. There is also some promising material among the new boys. They are now good players; however, it is expected that a few Browns and Tillmans will develop during the year.

Before the boys separated Coach Trout called them together and gave them a heart to heart talk. They must keep in training; they owe it to themselves as well as the school. It is not fair at all for a player to cause the loss of a game just thru his carelessness or neglect. The team cannot win unless the boys are in condition. This statement has been proved several times within the last few years. For several years past the boys on the team have been allowed to run around, follow no special rules, and to dissipate in many ways, with the consequence that many times when there was a pinch C. T. H. S. fell by the wayside.

Mr. Trout wants the boys to keep in training and any breaking of rules is likely to result in suspension. He will do his part and wants the boys to do theirs. He cannot do it all himself; the boys must help. There is also another factor that helps to make a winning team, and that is the roofers; a school may have a good coach and a good team and yet not be successful; a team needs the support of the school and of the town. Now that C. T. H. S. has the coach and the roofers, it is up to the boys, whether or not they are successful.

Only a few boys in the squad smoke, which is a good sign. Following are five rules which the coach wishes the boys to observe:

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"SPHINX" INCREASES ITS CIRCULATION LIST

**MANY STUDENTS WORKING HARD
FOR SUBSCRIPTIONS—CASH
PRIZE OFFERED.**

Beginning Friday the "Sphinx" inaugurated the 2nd. subscription campaign in its history. Since the paper is being published earlier this year than last, it is advisable for subscribers to get their names in at once, in order not to miss any of the first numbers.

Many former subscribers are seemingly unaware of the present existence of the "Sphinx" and the object of the campaign is to make known to these people that the circulation list is now open to the renewal of their subscriptions. Not only that, but the "Sphinx" wishes to enlist as many new followers as possible. There is every good reason why the circulation should be enlarged this year. Last year's paper was an experiment; no one knew just what the outcome would be. Just what sort of a paper a high school could publish, but now that the "Sphinx" has firmly established a foothold, an increase in subscribers is expected.

For this purpose the "Sphinx" has decided to offer a liberal reward for subscriptions brought in. For every five subscriptions turned in to the office, one free subscription to the "Sphinx" will be given, or its equivalent in money, seventy-five cents. This offer is open to everyone—it is up to the students to get out and work, to help swell the subscription list of the "Sphinx."

Many subscriptions have already been turned in and the interest appears to be increasing daily. But there is plenty of room for more enlargement, so let everybody get busy. This cash offer holds good until Wednesday, September 30.

CAMP FIRE GIRLS

Miss Murray was recently chosen guardian of the Nava's Camp to fill the vacancy left by Mrs. Montgomery-Payne, who is now living in Herrin, Illinois.

Miss Schafer accompanied the Nacoma Camp of Camp Fire Girls to Joliff's bridge on a wiener roast Saturday morning.

The Kappa Kappa chapter, under the guardianship of Miss Fuller, met in room 9 Thursday to plan a program of early morning tramps.

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It may be ignorance of one of the rules of the school on the part of the new students, and thoughtlessness on the part of the older students, or the idea of saving time on the part of both, which allow them to attempt to make a path across the campus. Be that as it may, very many of the students have been using the northwestern part of the campus in coming to and from school, in order to cut off a short distance, and some few have been utilizing the southwestern part in the same manner, until there is great danger of their forming two unsightly paths.

It should be the ambition of every student of C. T. H. S. to preserve the good order of the campus as much as possible, instead of thoughtlessly hindering that very improvement which they should be so anxious to gain. For the past two years the Landscape Gardening classes under the direction of their former instructor, Miss Blair, have been working hard to beautify the campus, and have at last succeeded in bringing it almost into that condition into which it was originally intended that it should be.

It will be of no use, however, to continue making improvements if the students insist upon forgetting themselves. Of course it does no immediate harm for one student to walk across it but when seventy-five or one hundred people take it upon themselves to hurry across one part of it, soon the result is an altogether undesirable one.

So let us try, students of C. T. H. S. to remember to do our part to keep that campus in the prime condition in which we all like to see it.

ALUMNI NOTES

Vernon Parkinson '13, of Washington University spent the week end with relatives and friends.

Justin Kohl, Burnham Walraven and the Misses Rowena Kohl and Bertha Erbes left Sunday for Champaign where they will enter school.

Miss Lucille Marshall '13, left Sunday for Evanston where she will enter Northwestern University.

Miss Bessie Cope '12, Tonti, Ill., will enter the University of Illinois this year. She is enrolled in the Literature and Arts course.

Miss Elsie Saxer '13, has left for St. Louis where she will take up Library work.

Miss Emma Grace Reader '11 and Miss Blanche Bales '13 have gone to Milliken for the "rushing" season.

Harry Toothacker '12, was a Centralia visitor Sunday night.

Chester Parkinson will go to St. Louis Thursday where he will resume his studies in the Washington University.

Reinhardt Egger will leave soon for University of Missouri where he will take up the study of Journalism.

Emma Grae Reader '11 and Eloise Parkinson '12 will not return to the University of Illinois until the second semester.

Miss Bess Shanklin '14, has returned from St. Louis where she has taken a month's work in the Bethesda Hospital.

Prof. Ellsworth Wooters of the class of '81, the first class graduated from the Centralia High School was an instructor in the Marion County Teachers' Institute last month. He will spend the winter in S. Dakota lecturing on agriculture in the extension work of the State University.

Mrs. Sam Dent Bell, formerly Miss Rose Meyer, class of '03, and for several years a teacher in our Township High School, has returned to her home in Van Buren, Ark., after a visit here with her sister, Mrs. Geo. L. Perry.

Mr. Paul W. Bohn, '97, returned last Friday to Mantanzas, Cuba, having concluded his biennial visit to his mother and her family in Centralia. After his graduation from De Pauw University, Mr. Bohn entered the business world with such success that he is now manager and cashier of the Matanzas branch of the National Bank of Cuba. Dr. Julius Bohn, '94, with his wife and daughter, of Terre Haute, Ind., met his brother here at a family reunion. Dr. Bohn is also a graduate of De Pauw University and of the Medical School of Washington University, St. Louis. These two gentlemen are brothers of S. H. Bohn, superintendent of the Public Schools.

Mrs. D. E. Styles, who was Jessie Sanders, '88, was active in the great Biennial of the Women's Club in Chicago last summer. Always public spirited and active, she is now chairman of the clubs of her district.

OF COURSE

Miss Mitchell—Judges are always dense and must have things proven to them.

Jessie—But aren't they supposed to select intelligent judges?

A WONDERFUL EVENT

Miss Erbes, (In German I) —Harry, translate into German, "The teacher sits on the chair."

Harry, struggling for time—Der Bleistift sitzt auf dem Stuhle.

(The lead pencil sits on the chair).

Jean—Is there any hydrogen in cider?

Temple—Inside who?

Teacher—Give me a sentence using the word "income" in it.

Young Freshman—The boy opened the door and income a cat.

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**BASKET BALL PRACTICE
WELL BEGUN MONDAY**

(Continued from page 1, col. 2).

1. Don't eat too much.
Eat what you like but chew it well.
Fletcher says, don't eat rich foods—
pastry—plain foods are better.
2. Get enough sleep.
Get from eight to nine hours sleep
every night. Get to bed by half-past
ten every night except Friday, when
the boys will be allowed to stay up
as long as they like and get up only
in time for dinner if they wish.
3. Don't smoke.

There are only a few boys on the
squad who smoke, and it is hoped that
they will quit. If they feel they must
smoke they should see the coach and
if he thinks it at all advisable, he will
give them permission.

4. Keep up your school work.

Many good players seem to get a
feeling that something will be provid-
ed and that the powers that be will
see that they do not flunk. We had an
instance of this last year.

5. Be regular at practice.

Practice will soon be held behind
closed doors and the boys must be
there regularly to learn the plays and
signals. It is just like school work;
when a fellow gets behind it is hard-
er than ever to catch up. Practice will
be held every afternoon after school
except on scrub night. The day for
scrub practice has not yet been decid-
ed upon.

Toward the end of the week two
teams will be picked and the show-
ing made on those teams will deter-
mine largely who will be on the first
team.

Following is a list of those who
turned out for practice Monday and
the positions they desire to play. For-
wards: Percy Loomis, Carl Keller,
Tom Reid, Robert Webster, Clyde
Kern, Harlon Boyle and Orville Hol-
comb. Centers: Ray Root, Byron Root.
Guards: Alden Perrine, Earl Wag-
goner, Oral Cruzen, Leon Sherman,
Lawrence Beniaminson, Clyde Doolin,
Frederick Welton.

The manager is attempting to sched-
ule games with the following high
schools: Du Quoin, Benton, Shelby-
ville, Hillsboro, Nashville, Alton,
Granite City, Carlyle, and Carbondale
Normal. Four games will probably be
played with Mt. Vernon and two with
East St. Louis.

ROSETTAS

Veneita Johnson, '15, will be unable
to continue her school work this year
on account of illness.

Miss Reihel was unable to meet
her classes Friday.

Margaret Weldon was a school vis-
itor Friday.

Several high school boys were run-
ning auto transfers from the Fair
Grounds to the city last week.

The classes in Physiography and
Plane Geometry were given written
tests Wednesday.

Oral Cruzen, '15 has resumed his
school work again, after having had
to discontinue it during last semes-
ter.

Farris and George English, who at-
tended school here the past two
years, have moved to Washington, D.
C.

Official State High School Inspect-
or from the University of Illinois,
was a high school visitor Friday. Mr.
Didcoet is a graduate of Wooster,
which college Miss Schaefer attended,
and secretary of the Wooster Alumni
Association.

All English I and II classes were
given quizzes Friday.

The High and Graded School and
Business College teachers were enter-
tained at a reception of welcome at
the Presbyterian Church Friday eve-
ning. After the introductions, music
was enjoyed. Miss Lee, musical in-
structor at C. T. H. S. charmingly
rendered "One Fine Day," and "Ma-
dame Butterfly." Ruth Rickards, '14
and Glenna Peifer, '11 also gave mus-
ical numbers.

Ruth Rickards '14, Alumni editor,
and Bess Shanklin '14 were visitors
at high school yesterday.

A meeting of the Freshman class
was held Monday in Room 2. Wini-
fred Welton was elected Sergeant-at-
arms, and class colors, green and
white, were selected by the class.

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MUSIC AND ART

The tryouts held Monday evening for the Girls' Glee Club were very successful. An unusual amount of interest was shown in the large number of girls who tried out for the different parts, thirty-five girls obtaining places in the glee club.

The following girls won out; first sopranos: Jessie Beaver, Bess Johnson, Ora Walraven, Mzie Sullivan, Grace Whitlock, Ruby Smith, Hilda Banks, Rebecca Jones, Pauline Shepard, Colleen Reichenbach, Nina Huddleston, Virginia Sullivan and Jessie White.

Second sopranos: Neva McRoy, Katherine Miller, Ruby Huddleston, Esther Rogers, Genevieve Ledford, Gladys Goodman, Augusta Pike, Rae McKittrick, Beulah Baldwin, Hallie Root, Ray Wallis, Ruth Tyler, Marie Thomas, Temple Pike.

Altos: Antonia Fischbacha, Beulah Davis, Marguerite Umshler, Anna Frank, Freda Dardis, Katherine Kell, Irma White, Florence Saxer.

Miss Lee, musical director, expects, with the cooperation of the chorus and glee clubs, to give an operetta sometime during the school year. Glee club practice will be held Monday evenings after school.

The class in Music which meets the seventh hour and of which Miss Lee is instructor, will soon take up the study of musical history; the lives of important composers will be studied, their great works will be discussed, together with the qualities and characteristics which make them great works. Among other things, the voices of the students are expected to be placed.

The Prawing and Art class has resumed its work this year, although not as many enrolled as was expected. The class is now doing studies in black and white, and water-coloring will probably be taken up the latter part of the week.

SQUIBLETS

CAUTION

Percy is getting quite brilliant in Civics but he should remember that the feet (s) of the mighty are great.

ALMOST

Miss Reibel—Now if Physiology is the study of the physical body, what is Zoology the study of?
Brilliant Student—The Zoo.

POOR BOY

Mr. Tront, in English History to Carl—What seven states composed the Heptarchy? Let me see, I can't remember your name?
Carl—I don't know.

POSSIBLY TRUE

From a Senior Essay:—"The U. S. will now have a future they have never had in the past."



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PRELIMINARY SQUADS PICKED FOR TEAMS

FOURTEEN MEN PICKED BY THE COACH FOR FIRST AND SECOND TEAMS.

Friday evening a preliminary squad, the survivors of which will make this year's basket ball team, was selected from the number of boys who tried out in the first week's practice. A larger number than usual had to be eliminated because a much larger number than usual had tried out for the team.

The fourteen finally selected by the coach are striving with might and main to make the first team. Coach Trout, however, wishes to give every boy as much of a chance as possible, and will not pick the regular team until a later date. The final selections of players for the first and second teams will probably not occur until next Friday or Monday.

The practice so far has been mainly passing and goal shooting. Following is a table of the weights, and heights of the players remaining on the squad, who will make up this year's first and second teams:

Name	Weight	Height
P. Loomis	135	5-6
Byron Root	148	5-11
"Jumbo" Maddox	159	6-1
E. Wagginer	144	5-11
T. Reid	135	5-9
O. Holcomb	165	6-2
O. Cruzen	160	5-10
C. Doolin	144	5-9
C. Kern	135	5-11
R. Webster	140	5-8½
H. Boyle	134	4-4½
L. Sherman	145	5-8
F. Rogier	150	6-0
Average	146 5-7.	5-11

Practice is running smoothly but up to this time the only games scheduled are two with Nashville.

TUITION STUDENTS

The number of students who attend C. T. H. S. and must pay tuition increases every year. The new law recently passed which raises the monthly tuition of students from three to five dollars, and also requires the township from which they come to pay the students' tuition, will bring in over one thousand dollars from the twenty-five tuition students of C. T. H. S.

FIRST DEBATE OF YEAR IN ORAL ENGLISH

QUESTIONS FOR ARGUMENT OF MUTUAL INTEREST TO STUDENTS.

The first debate of the year was held in Oral English last Thursday. This debate was not conducted according to the regular parliamentary form, but was an informal argument intended to accustom the students to the argumentative form of public speaking.

The class was divided into two bodies, one half supporting the affirmative, and the other half defending the negative. The question for debate was, "Resolved: That street accidents are chiefly in the fault of pedestrians."

Many strong arguments were advanced by both sides, which resulted in several heated discussions. New facts and different points of view in regard to the question were discussed during the hour.

Miss Mitchell acted as judge, remaining neutral and rendering no decision.

This week regular debates begin, and will be held once a week during this semester. For the first month, four persons will compose each team; later, however, two-men teams will probably be selected. The four composing the teams will be notified several weeks in advance in order that ample time for preparation will be given to each student.

The question for debate this week is "Resolved: That the Theatre is harmful to high school students."

The members of the affirmative are Augusta Fike, Antonia Fischbacha, Jessie Beaver and Alden Perrine and the members of the negative team are Grissom, Wendell Heaton, Genevieve Ledford and Rae McKittrick. Some of the other questions to be considered have already been selected, and will prove to be interesting debates since they are subjects of mutual interest to the students. Other questions being considered for debate are "Resolved: That the 'honor system' should be adopted in the Centralia Township High School," and "Resolved: That prizes should be granted for credit in school work."

The Truth

Miss Lee (In Glee Club Tryouts).—
Florence what do you usually sing?
Florence—I don't usually sing.

INTERESTING THEMES OF ALUMNI FOUND

THEMES OF FORMER STUDENTS OF C. T. H. S. KEPT ON FILE— ALUMNI TO CONTRIBUTE.

"The Sphinx" has formulated a new plan, with the purpose in view of keeping up the interest of the alumni of C. T. H. S. in the school. It has been the intention of the alumni editor to publish from time to time, articles of mutual interest to the alumni and students, but the "Sphinx" now intends to allow the great body of alumni themselves to contribute involuntarily their share of the material of the paper.

Quite recently one of the students discovered a number of themes written by students of Centralia Township High School, dating back several years. These themes will undoubtedly be of interest not only to their writers, but also to the present students of C. T. H. S. It is interesting to note, in the instance where the same subjects are written upon now as were used then, the differences in the style of composition and the change in the ideas of the students.

It will heighten the interest of the alumni in the paper and in the school if they know that from time their former compositions will be given to the public through the medium of the "Sphinx." A theme written by George Barz, a graduate of the class of 1910 follows:

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An automobile whizzes around the corner of the "Country Club" and starts on a clear drive down the palm flanked and flower bedecked boulevard.

A young aristocrat is driving. He is dressed with the nobbiness of a gallant and leisurely puffs away on a Turkish cigarette, the hazy fumes of which mingle with the turquoise films of silk, which gracefully drape themselves around the head of the lady at his side. On he drives.—

Down the street in the distance comes an aged street cleaner, wearily nuzzing his cart before him. His back is bent and he sighs as he totters along. He sees paper across the street and leaves his cart to get it.

On comes the auto; the driver sees

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CENTRALIA LOYALTY!

The time for the faithful supporters of C. T. H. S. to prove their loyalty to her and to show their mettle is fast approaching. The basket ball team which will represent C. T. H. S. is about to enter upon another successful campaign of Southern Illinois, and the support of that ever-cheering, ever-encouraging crowd of rooters must again be an important factor in the success of the team.

Preliminary squads have been selected, games have been scheduled, from all indications the boys are doing their part with a will and C. T. H. S. is to encounter her first enemy in only three weeks. So now it is up to her rooters to display that old and far-famed loyalty and spirit to which they have so deservedly won the title in the past, and which they so enthusiastically earned for themselves at Decatur last spring.

The way in which that disappointed the heart-sick crowd of rooters, in the face of their stinging and unlooked for defeat at the hands of Freeport, gathered together and sang 'Centralia Loyalty,' and cheered for the team, until the jeers of the crowd were changed to shouts of admiring applause, is something of which any school would be proud, and of which many schools cannot boast. "Centralia Loyalty" embodies the spirit of C. T. H. S. as manifested in defeat or victory, and "Centralia Loyalty" must be sung, win or lose.

Now is the time for the rooters of C. T. H. S. to organize themselves into a C. T. H. S. Rooters Club, to select their cheer leaders for the coming year, to utilize their combined

ALUMNI NOTES.

Mrs. S. G. Kell formerly Minnie Saily, 81, recently enjoyed a visit from her son, Charles '08, of Davenport, Ia. Charles is a graduate in mechanical engineering of the U. of I. class of 1912. His elder brother, Prof. Wayne Kell, is a graduate of E. Denver H. S. 1898 and Colorado State School of Mines at Golden 1902. For several years he has served with great success as Prof. of Geology and Mineralogy in Georgia Tech., Atlanta, Ga. He has been called the "H. S. Grandchild," because he was the first of all the sons and daughters of Centralia graduates to complete a H. S. course.

Mrs. N. W. Spencer is visiting in Waltsburg, Washington, with her daughter Edna, C. T. H. S., '94, who is the wife of Rev. Paul Little. Mrs. Little is an accomplished pianist and pipe organist, having received instruction from Prof. Lederman and afterward in Northwestern University.

Miss Allegra Frazier '91, is again Instructor in English in the High School of Tucson, Arizona. Miss Frazier studied at Drake University and at Radcliff, the Women's Annex of Harvard. She visited in Centralia in August, after having taken a summer course in English at Chicago University. She was an instructor in C. T. H. S. a few years ago.

Miss Idale Allmon, '94, who is employed in the Old National Bank has returned from a vacation in Marquette, Mich. She was the guest of Mrs. Hixon, formerly Edna Adams, '95. Mrs. Hixon was doing good work as a reader, after considerable study in the Chicago School of Expression, but left that interesting field to successfully share the management of a large dry goods firm in Marquette, until the time of her recent marriage.

Burnham Walraven '12, spent the week end with home folks.

George Bargh '10, has accepted a position as reporter on the "Review," Mr. Bargh graduated from the University of Illinois last Spring.

George Walraven '12, came down from Decatur, where he has been attending James Milliken U., for the week end.

Troy Harmon, '13, was successful in passing the Civil Service examination, and is now a "postman."

Emma Grace Reader '11, and Blanch Bales '13, have returned from a visit in Decatur.

Bess Shanklin '14, is attending Brown's Business College this fall.

DeWitt Pulciphier '14, successfully passed the Rhetoric I examination at the University of Illinois. This will exempt him from eighteen weeks of Rhetoric I.

Thelma Gilpin is a member of the Chapel Choir and Dramatic Club at Carbondale Normal.

efforts to produce some rousing good yells, and to prepare to help boost C. T. H. S. on to victory and a Championship.



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ROSETTAS

Faust Gilpin '14 visited High School Thursday to discover how things were going without him.

The Junior Class held a meeting in Room 3 Friday at which samples selected by the color committee were voted upon. Purple and white were the colors finally chosen after much discussion.

Paul Trinwith and Roy Whitchurch came to school and looked the basket ball material over Thursday.

Miss Mitchell and Miss Riebel entertained the Cenhica Camp at a Ceremonial meeting at the home of Dr. Stoker Thursday evening. The Camp officers were selected for the following year, and an outline of the winter's work was made. The meetings for one month will include one ceremonial meeting, an athletic meeting, one devoted to fancy work, and one during which the camp will go on a hike.

The Household Arts Club entertained the faculty last Saturday evening at a wicner roast at White City.

Ethel Bunch has reentered School after being forced to discontinue her work last Semester on account of ill health.

The Senior Class has been enlarged by the addition of two new members, William Bellamy, of Sandoval and Francis Rogier, of Patoka.

A meeting of the Freshman Class was held Wednesday evening in Room 2, at which the Freshmen voted to order caps in their class colors, green and white.

The class in Manual Training is progressing rapidly. The boys are now engaged in making flower boxes.

**INTERESTING THEMES
OF ALUMNI FOUND**

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the cart; a smile of smartness is on his face, and a gleam of deviltry sparkles in his eye. A swerve to the right, the cart tips over, the auto is gone, but the haughty laugh of the driver leaves its sting upon the ear of the laborer,—and as he stoops to pick up the rubbish he bravely chokes back a sob, and wipes the tear from his eye.

BASKET BALL IN MT. VERNON

So far this year C. T. H. S. has been unable to schedule any basket ball games with Mt. Vernon, owing to the lack of a suitable place in that city in which to play basket ball. The armory building, which was used for this purpose last year, has been leased to the Moose organization of that city, and no other suitable building has yet proved to be available. A letter from the coach, Mr. Stables, states that he and the managers are looking for a place in which to practice, but none has yet been discovered, so practice is for the time being delayed.



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The three water-lillies which repose so peacefully in "Lake Spurrier" can be admired by anyone, even the Freshmen, free of charge. Since this is a free attraction many students will take advantage of it, as the shower-bath attraction in the basement has been taken advantage of by the Freshmen. But as was stated by Mr. Tubbs at the beginning of school too much indulgence of the pleasures of life is apt to stunt the growing mind. Therefore, the Freshmen should not arrange meetings at the Lake so frequently to see these beauties of nature, as the Seniors, whose minds at this time are almost fully developed.

Of Course

Freda (to male friend)—Beauty is only skin deep, you know.

Male friend—That's all right, I am no cannibal.

ENVY

Temple (in moving picture show)—Isn't that a swell man?

Edith—Oh, I don't care much for men with small feet.

Shades of Shakespeare

Duane Frinke (quoting from "Merchant of Venice in English II.")—All that glisters is not gold, Often have you heard that told, Many a man his life hath sold, But my insides to behold.

Notice ! ! !

The school has improved wonderfully. Last year we only had one Stable and one Stahl. This year we have a new stable with nine stalls. That is proof of the growth of this school.

Miss Riebel (pointing to equator)—now, what is that line?

Freshman (excitedly)—That is a menagerie lion running around the earth, called the equator.

Not Quite

Mr. Trout (In English History)—Who wrote the Ecclesiastical History of England?

Pauline H. (Quickly)—The Admiral Bede. (The Venerable Bede.)

A woodpecker lit on a Freshman's head,

And settled down to drill,
He bored away for half a day
And finally broke his bill.

—Ex.

IMPURE WATER AT C. T. H. S.

Samples of the drinking water used at C. T. H. S. are being prepared to send to the State Survey at Champaign to be tested. It has been suggested that the water is impure so in order to insure safety, a test is to be made of the water.



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No. 4

LITERARY SOCIETIES ELECT OFFICERS

DELPHIC AND IRIS ORGANIZE — CREDIT TO BE GIVEN FOR SOCIETY WORK.

Following a precedent established last year, the organization of the Delphic and Iris Literary Societies took place Friday morning in the Assembly Hall. As is the usual custom all Freshmen had previously been assigned to one of the two societies, and the older students remained in the societies to which they had formerly belonged.

Miss Mitchell conducted the organization of the Delphic Society and Mr. Tubbs that of the Iris. The Delphic elected the following officers: Augusta Fike, president; Mary Belle Baker, vice-president; Leon Sherman, secretary; Harry Davis, treasurer, and Robert Robertson, sergeant-at-arms. The officers of the Iris are: James Armstrong, president; Charles Kinane, vice-president; Gladys Goodman, secretary; Mary Parkinson, treasurer. There are at present 130 members in the Delphic Society and 126 in the Iris.

CREDIT GIVEN FOR SOCIETY WORK

In order to increase the interest of the students in the Society programs, it has been decided by the board and faculty to offer a quarter of a unit's credit a year for literary society work. Work in the societies is a very important aid to the students in public speaking, as it accustoms them to speaking before an audience.

The work accomplished through the literary societies in the first year of their existence was very gratifying. They were an important factor in the winning of the Intellectual Meet at Carbondale last spring, all members of the Intellectual team being members of one of the two societies.

This year, however, the members of

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TENNIS TEAM OF C. T. H. S. DEFEATS CARLYLE

SHERMAN AND DAVIS BEST OP- PONENTS IN DOUBLES—THE SINGLES BREAK EVEN.

In a fast and exciting match, the representative tennis team of C. T. H. S. met and defeated the Carlyle High School team, on the high school courts Saturday afternoon. The final score stood 3-2, C. T. H. S. winning in the doubles and two singles.

C. T. H. S. was represented in the doubles by Harry Davis and Leon Sherman who in fast exhibition of volleying, bested their opponents in two out of three sets, the sets ending 6-2, 4-6, 6-4. The racket champions of Carlyle were Kahlert and McGafferty.

In the first two matches in singles Centralia and Carlyle broke even. Leon Sherman outplayed his opponent, McGafferty in the first set, 6-2. McGafferty rallied in the second set, winning from Sherman, 6-4, but Sherman came back strong in the third set, defeating McGafferty 6-2, and winning the match.

In the next match Davis lost to Kahlert, 1-2, losing the first set to Carlyle 8-6, winning the second 2-6, and losing the third 6-2.

In the second round of singles with Sherman pitted against Kahlert, it was necessary to play only two sets. Sherman defeated his opponent in two straight sets at the rate of 6-1, in the first set and 6-4 in the second. The score now stood three to one in favor of Centralia. Raymond Leonard played McGafferty the fourth match. Carlyle winning the first set 6-2; the second set was decided 6-6, but the match was forfeited, as it was only necessary to win three out of five games to win the match.

C. T. H. S. may go to Carlyle Saturday to play a return match in that city, but the matter has not yet been decided.

MINERS' NIGHT SCHOOL AT THE C. T. H. S.

INSTRUCTION OF MINERS MAY BE CARRIED ON AT C. T. H. S. THROUGH U. OF I.

Through the untiring efforts of Mr. Tubbs, an instruction school for miners to be held at C. T. H. S. is now almost an assured institution. For some time Mr. Tubbs has been corresponding with Mr. R. Y. Williams, who is head of the Department of Mining at Illinois University. Mr. Williams has decided that since Centralia is right in the heart of a mining district, it would be an ideal place in which to locate the school. H. E. Smith, representative of that department, will be here Wednesday, October 7, to lay the proposition before the miners and gain their cooperation.

If this plan is a success, Mr. Smith will undertake the work, spending three nights a week in Centralia and probably two in Sandoval, if the miners there show sufficient interest to warrant it.

All this work however, will center around the high school, for classes will be held in the school at night.

The building is well heated, and all equipment of the school will be at the disposal of the miners, as for example, the library, the physics and chemistry apparatus, and the stercopican machine. This latter will be a great help in illustrating the subjects discussed, as a large number of slides is possessed by the school. The State also will furnish special apparatus needed in the instruction.

The work taken up by the instructor will probably include the following subjects: Methods of Mining, Mine Gases and Safety Lamps, Ventilation and Surveying.

Another idea of Mr. Tubbs is that of establishing a Domestic Science class several nights in the week, under the regular high school domestic science instructor for any women who might choose to attend it. This plan would give many women an opportunity, which they can gain in no other way, of learning many things about food values which they need to know. Classes may also be established in Business Arithmetic and Business English.

Although these plans are as yet immature, and their development may show many changes, it is very probable that they will lead to some form of night school.

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than were offered last year. The inter-
est once aroused, should develop and
expand and be exerted in such a man-
ner that the students would not only
be deriving great benefit from the
work themselves but would be accom-
plishing something really worth while
in the way of entertainment. Original-
ity and variety in the programs is
what we need. A deadly monotony
must be avoided if possible and with
the talent possessed by C. T. H. S.
this should easily be accomplished.
So let everyone get to work for his
society and submit to the cause any
new ideas which he happens to dis-
cover.

THEN

Sing a song of Freshmen,
All so bright and green;
Are not these the queerest things
That you have ever seen?

NOW

Sing a song of Seniors
All so grave and brown;
Are not these the wisest things
That you have ever known?

COACH SELECTS B. B. TEAM FOR FRIDAY

TEAM PICKED SUBJECT TO CHANGE—ATHLETIC ASSN. HOLDS MEETING

After several weeks of grilling
practice Coach Trout has at last se-
lected the team, which though liable
to change, will probably represent
C. T. H. S. during the basket ball
season of 1914-15. This team at pres-
ent consists of Percy Loomis, '15,
and Tom Reid '15, forwards; Leon
Sherman '15 and Oral Cruzen '15,
guards; Byron Root, center; Robert
Webster, sub-forward and Earl Wa-
goner '16, sub-guard.

The team as it stands, however, is
subject to change, and it is probable
several changes will be made in the
present line-up before the close of
the season. It is the desire of the
coach to give every fellow a fair
chance, and if some who are not now
in the line-up develop later in the sea-
son, there are chances of their yet
making the team.

The second team has not yet been
picked; the boys will be allowed to
come down to practice as long as they
wish and any who show up especially
well will be used. There is plenty of
good material for a second team, es-
pecially in forwards and guards. All
of the fourteen boys picked some time
ago for the squad will be used from
time to time. Games up to date have
been scheduled with Benton, Salem,
and Nashville.

Meetings Athletic Ass'n.

The Athletic Association discussed
several important matters in a recent
meeting. The resignation of Leon
Sherman as manager of the basket-
ball team was accepted and Orville
Holcomb was elected to fill his place.

Students besides members of the
team will be allowed to wear the let-
ter "C", provided that their class num-
bers are used in the monogram, and
the school colors are not used.

An attempt will be made to secure
the sectional tournament of Southern
Illinois at Centralia next spring. The
chances are thought to be favorable
for accomplishing this; however,
nothing definite has been decided yet.

Miss Mitchell—Compare the adjec-
tive, bad.

Coleen (promptly)—Bad better best.
Miss Mitchell—I suppose if I asked
you to compare "sick" you would
say, "sick, sicker, dead."

Antonio (in Oral English)—Just as
he got thru diving.

Enlightening!

Miss Fuller (In Physiology)—
Now what do you find on the roots?
Freshie—Dirt!

Dreadful Confession

Antonia—Jessie, please give me a
joke.

Jessie—All right, here's my picture.

AN UNFORTUNATE BIRTHDAY

If all birthdays are going to be like
this one I hope I shall never have an-
other.

In the first place mother had a sick
headache and I couldn't have my
party. I didn't care so much except I
just wanted to show old Sally Per-
kins she wasn't so smart after all.

Since my mother was sick, I wiped
dishes. In some way one of our best
china cups was broken and I got
slapped for it. I didn't have to wipe
dishes; I just did it to help out. But
big sisters never have a thankful spir-
it. Why just the other day she said
she'd give anything if company could
tell when they had enough. But when
I told old Mr. Dean that when com-
pany took three pieces of chicken,
there wasn't anything but necks left
for me, she nearly shook my teeth out.
I don't care, she isn't the one who has
to eat the necks.

This afternoon Marie Hobbs and I
had to stop playing paper dolls long
enough to bring a pitcher of fresh
water. Just while we were that long,
baby found them and tore the head off
my very best doll. If it had been an
arm or foot, it could have been mend-
ed, but people usually die when they
break their necks. Just the same, I
wanted to paste it back and pretend
she wasn't dead for she was the won't
prettiest one I had. But Marie won't
play-like any thing, and I just
couldn't bear to let her say mean
things about having dead people
around.

Anyway funerals are fun when the
dolls are really killed. This time it
was Marie's turn to be the preacher.
Marie can say bigger words in her
speech, but I make the best weeper.
Marie always giggles when it is her
turn to cry. But right in the middle of
the weepiest part we had to stop to
mail a letter.

That was just the way things went
all day. I'd like to know what good
it does to have a birthday, anyway.

Mary Parkinson, '15

LITERARY SOCIETIES

ELECT OFFICERS

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The Societies intend to better their
programs, to increase the amount of
time spent in this work, to extend
the interest in the societies beyond
the student body among the patrons
of the school and as an incentive to
this added effort special credit is be-
ing offered in the work. Spec-
ial credit also will be given in Music
for chorus and Glee Club work, and
for physical training. However, since
so much extra credit is to be given,
besides that offered in the regular
course, it has been decided to raise
the number of units required for
graduation, from sixteen to seventeen
units. This requirement, however,
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ROSETTAS

Lucian Spaulding, a former C. T. H. S. student, was a high school visitor Thursday.

The first fire drill of the year took place Wednesday. The boys had previously been assigned to their posts of duty, and the building was cleared in a very short time.

The Cenhica Camp Fire Girls tramped to Queen City Clubhouse on Savage Lake, Saturday. They left Centralia about six a. m., tramped eighteen miles, cooking their meals enroute, and returned via. Southern at 8:30. Louis Beaver and James Armstrong chaperoned the crowd.

The Senior Basket Ball Girls held a meeting in Room 4 Friday for purposes of organization. Augusta Fike was elected Captain, Madge Tucker, manager, and Florence Saxer, secretary-treasurer of the Senior Girls' Athletic Association. Miss Erbes was unanimously appointed Chief Fudge Maker.

A number of High School girls entertained their friends at a skating party at White City Friday evening.

The Sophomore Class met in Room 3 Wednesday to select class colors. Blue and Gold were the colors finally chosen.

ALUMNI NOTES.

George Walraven '12, made one of his rare visits home for the week-end.

Jay Reichenbach '14, who is attending Illinois University spent the week-end at home.

Mable Fowler '12, will return home this week from a months' visit in Colorado.

Vernon Parkinson '12, successfully passed the Rhetoric I examination at Washington University. This will exempt him from eighteen months' work in Rhetoric I, and will allow him to do Sophomore work in that subject. Vernon is one of the two Freshmen to pass this examination, a part of which consisted of the writing of an acceptable theme.

Rowent Kohl '14, who is attending the University of Illinois, received a visit from her parents Sunday, when they motored up to see how she is getting along.

EXCHANGE

We wish to acknowledge the following exchanges:

The Tooter, South Omaha, Neb.

The Behistun, Flora, Ill.

The High School News, Columbus, Neb.

The Gem City, Quincy, Ill.

The Vidette, Carbondale, Ill.

The Tusconian, Tuscon, Ariz.

The Tooter, a good paper, especially the "Toots."

The Behistun, there is good stuff in your paper. It's very interesting.

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Saturday, Oct. 10.—Ben Wilson and Gertrude McCoy in "The Birth of the Star Spangled Banner," in two parts.

Monday, Oct. 12.—The third episode of "The Trey o' Hearts," in two parts. This number is entitled "The Seaventure," and shows the great ship fire in mid ocean. A continuous show from 2:30 to 11 p. m.

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LOST

Sunset.

I am lost in a large, dense forest with only a small dog for a companion.

I feel the pangs of hunger and thirst as the darkness comes on.

Large black clouds can be seen floating in the sky.

The wind makes a roaring sound as it comes through the dense forest.

At last I grow tired and fall asleep; when I awaken I hear the words:

"Follow me, I will guide thee," and I follow.

'15

THE FLOOD

The dull gray sky shades a dreary, anxious world.

The yellow, raging river like a giant just conscious of his strength, sweeps away all obstructions that once, did stop it short, and boils and eddies on.

Below me a house crashes against a pillar and the fragments pass beneath the bridge's arch.

From the levee comes a startled cry, "It's breaking." The men retreat sullenly, dejectedly, defeated.

'15.

WEAKLY ADVICE TO

THE STUDENT BODY

The green plot which encircles our High School properly called a lawn, is for the pleasure of the eye and not the feet. It has been carefully cut and trimmed not only by the janitor but also by at least two of the Landscape Gardening Class. It is no more than justice to these people, who have worked so hard to keep each blade free from germs and other American animals that each and every student of the C. T. H. S. (including the faculty) should refrain from standing too long on the object of their labors. It is permissible, however, for anyone to eat his dinner under the shade of the geraniums, and stately cannas which are arranged artistically on the lawn. While resting no one is allowed to pluck the fruit of either plant as the Domestic Science Department wishes to preserve it for next Spring.

DEBATE WON BY NEGATIVE TEAM

The first regular debate of the year was held in Oral English Thursday. The debate, "Resolved: That the theater is harmful to High School students," was won by the negative team, composed of Ray McKittrick, Genevieve Ledford, Curtiss Grissom, and Wendell Heaton. The members of the affirmative team were Antonia Fischbach, Augusta Fike, Jessie Beaver, and Sula Brown. The debate, a very spirited one, was a very good amateur debate, and is said to have been the best initial debate given by an Oral English Class.



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No. 5

C. T. H. S. STUDENTS HEAR INTERESTING TALK

MR. DEERHAKE OF Y. M. C. A.
SPEAKS TO STUDENTS DURING
OPENING EXERCISES

Mr. Deerhake, the field secretary of the Y. M. C. A. for the State of Illinois, spoke to the students of C. T. H. S. Monday morning during chapel on the joy of "Attempting the Impossible." He illustrated points in his talk by bringing in some very appropriate and entertaining stories.

He likened Opportunity to an old woman coming down a lane, but recognized only her two companions, Hard Work and Perseverance.

Mr. Deerhake thinks that nothing is entirely unattainable, and says that the motto for every young person should be "try to attain the impossible." He further showed that after all, the impossible is not really so, but simply appears to be unattainable.

"Only fools attempt the impossible," said Mr. Deerhake. Cyrus Field was called a fool when he attempted to lay a cable across the Atlantic ocean; when it broke he was called a fool again. But when he found the cable and spliced it, was he such a fool? It was the same way with Fulton and his steamboat,—people called him a fool when they gathered on the banks of the Hudson River to see him give it a first trial. But it proved a success. When the Wright brothers made their first attempt at flying, they were ridiculed, but they succeeded in accomplishing that which everyone had said was impossible. Mr. Deerhake clearly pointed out that great things have been accomplished by attempting the impossible.

It has been said that the time spent at college is the period during which young men and women prepare themselves for their life's work, but Mr. Deerhake feels confident that the high school age or even earlier is the time when people are prepared to face the battles of real life. If in the Prep-

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IMPORTANT MEETING OF GERMAN CLUB HELD

GERMAN CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS
—MANY PLANS BROUGHT
BEFORE MEETING.

The German Club held its first meeting of the year Thursday evening in Room II. About twenty-five would-be members showed up ready for the fray, armed with German Primers and displaying a great deal of interest in everything pertaining to the meeting.

As has formerly been the custom, any student who has passed one year of German is eligible for membership in the club. The first business brought before the meeting was the election of officers. Miss Erbes, instructor in German, acted as chairman protem until the election of Jean Fyke as president of the society. Leon Sherman was elected vice-president, Gerald Kohl, secretary and Wilson Storck, treasurer.

It was decided to charge a small membership fee of 10 cents a semester, and no student will be considered a member of this club until he has paid this fee.

It was voted to meet twice a month at the homes of the members, the place of meeting to be decided in alphabetical order. The first meeting will be held at the home of Jean Fyke next Wednesday. Committees to make out programs for the meetings will be appointed later by the president.

Much interest and enthusiasm has always been displayed by the students in the study of German and the German Club as an outgrowth of this enthusiasm, has always been one of the most interesting of the school activities. Its object is to promote the fluent speaking of the German language in the school, but a great deal of fun is gained by way of attaining the more serious object. After the first meeting a small fine is always imposed for every lapse into the English tongue, as all conversation is thereafter to be carried on in German.

C. T. H. S. DEFEATS ALUMNI IN FAST GAME

VARSITY SHOWS UP STRONG
AGAINST TALL ALUMNI—
JUNIOR-SENIORS GAME.

In a fast and exciting game, the first of the season, the valiant defenders of the Cardinal and White, met and defeated their taller opponents, the Alumni, by the top-heavy score, 34-13.

The first half started with all men on tip toe. Trinwith of the Alumni got the tip-off with something of his old-time energy and spirit, but the C. T. H. S. regulars soon got the ball in their territory. Loomis shooting the first field goal. All during the half both teams worked with a vim and determination to win, the Alumni striving to prove that their fighting spirit had not died within them, and the regulars anxious to show that a stiff fight could still be put up by the C. T. H. S. The first half ended with the close score 15-11 in favor of C. T. H. S.

Second Half

C. T. H. S. came back into the game determined to maintain their lead while the Alumni came back as determined to catch up.

As evidenced by fast plays and furious fighting, the "varsity" lost any evidences of awkwardness or stage fright displayed in the first half, and put several plays over on their husky opponents, dropping the ball into the basket again and again. Reid was the star goal shooter for C. T. H. S., making seven consecutive field goals, but in team work all of the varsity showed up exceedingly well, while in free goal throwing Captain Loomis starred. R. Webster, and E. Waggoner relieved Loomis and R. Root the last few minutes of the half. The score this half was 19-2, the opponents of C. T. H. S. scoring only two points during the half.

The line-up was as follows:

C. T. H. S.		Alumni
P. Loomis	l. f.	W. Holcomb
R. Webster		E. Farthing
T. Reid	r. f.	G. Tillman
R. Root		A. Trinwith
B. Root	l. g.	W. Schroeder
E. Waggoner		F. Johnson
L. Sherman	r. g.	W. Holcomb
		C. Kern

Goals thrown from the field: T. Reid, 10; P. Loomis, 5; G. Tillman, 3;

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ADVERTISING RATES

Quoted upon application to the Bus-
iness Manager.

"Oh had some Power the giftie gie
us.

To see ourselves as ithers see us!"

It would be interesting wouldn't it?
It would probably take some of the
wind out of our sails, too, though,
don't you think? And we wouldn't
feel nearly so self-satisfied and all-
round contented with ourselves. But
then, if we didn't get entirely disgust-
ed and decide to quit trying altogether,
there ought to be a great of im-
provement.

For instance, we wouldn't think it
was nearly so funny now would we,
to get low grades if we knew what
other people really thought about it?
You can't have very much respect for
a person who not only doesn't mind
getting low grades, but thinks it's so
amusing he has to boast about it. If
that person would only stop to consider
what his attitude discloses, he
might not be so anxious to make in-
discreet statements. The respect of
our fellow-students is worth a great
deal, but it is hard to regain when
once it is lost. So perhaps it would
be better to think a little, and try to
find the "giftie" which will show us
how "to see ourselves as ithers see us,"
before we begin to feel too proud of
ourselves.

TENNIS MATCH POSTPONED

The return tennis match, scheduled
between Carlyle and Centralia, which
was to have been played off Saturday
on the Carlyle courts, had to be post-
poned until next Saturday on account
of the rain.

ALUMNI NOTES.

Mrs. J. O. Grace, who was Sadie
May Buck '02, entertained her cousin,
Mrs. John Palmer, formerly Ella Bab-
bitt, '09, over Sunday. Mrs. Palmer's
home for several years was in Croes-
awddy, New Town, North Wales, and
London, England. Since her husband's
death she and her children are living
in St. Louis.

Centralia students at the University
of Illinois will be proud to find a
fellow alumnus in the Main building
at the Rhetoric department of the Un-
iversity. Prof. Franklin Scott Ph. D.
who went through Centralia graded
schools from primary on up, gradu-
ated in '96. A course at the U. of I.
was followed by several years at Har-
vard, Columbia, and Michigan Univer-
sities. He took his Doctor's degree at
Illinois University, however, and has
for several years been assistant pro-
fessor of English there.

Miss Mable Fowler '11, has returned
from a month's visit with friends in
Colorado. Anyone thirsting for infor-
mation concerning the scenery or
seeking a means of arousing enthus-
iasm in "The West" should apply to
her.

Jay Reichenbach '14 who has been
attending the University of Illinois,
spent a few days at home last week
on account of sickness.

At Illinois U. Jay Reichenbach '14,
has been pledged to join the Iris, and
Rowena Kohl '14, to the Kappa Gam-
ma.

Vernon Parkinson '12, of Washing-
ton U. is pledged to join the Kappa
Alphas.

Marriage of Former Instructor

On Tuesday, October 6, at the home
of the bride's parents in Towanda,
Kansas, occurred the wedding of Miss
Margaret Chase, one of last year's in-
structors in C. T. H. S., and Mr. Mer-
ton E. King. Mr. and Mrs. King are
spending their honeymoon in Galves-
ton, Texas.

AFFIRMATIVE TEAM

WINS DEBATE

In a spirited and fiery debate last
Thursday, the affirmative team in
Oral English again proved easily vic-
torious. The question was, "Resolved:
That the honor system should be
adopted in Centralia Township High
School. The winning side, the affirma-
tive was composed of Alden Perrine,
Edith Robertson, Hallie Root and
Marguerite Shanklin, while on the
negative team were Jennie Grace Ter-
pintz, Mae Wallis, Katherine Miller
and Myrtle Miller. Both sides put
up an interesting debate and deserve
mention for their good work.

MINERS MEET AT C. T. H. S.

The first meeting of the miners
was held at C. T. H. S. Tuesday eve-
ning, when the proposed instruction
school was thoroughly discussed. The
plan in all probability will become a
reality, since great interest has been
aroused among the miners.

WATCH FOR THE HALLOWEEN
NUMBER.

C. T. H. S. DEFEATS ALUMNI IN FAST GAME

(Continued from page 1, col. 3.)

A. Trinwith, 2. Free goals thrown,
Loomis, 4; Tillman, 1. Referee, Orville
Holcomb; Timekeeper, C. Kern; Scor-
er, S. Loomis.

Girls' Game

A curtain raiser played between
the Junior and Senior girls resulted
in a victory for the Juniors, the final
score being 5-2.

The game, featured by exceptionally
strong guarding stood 0-0 at the end
of the first half. Both teams, however,
came back into the game determined
to win. As a result of hard playing on
both sides the score at the end of the
second half was tied 2-2. After about
ten minutes more of strenuous play-
ing the score stood 5-2 in the Juniors'
favor.

The Junior team was composed of
the following: Temple Fike and Syl-
via Watts, forwards; Hallie Root, cen-
ter; Nelpha Boles and Beulah Davis,
rushers; Edith Robertson and Kath-
erine Miller, guards. The Senior team
was made up of: Augusta Fike and
Madge Tucker, forwards; Mary Park-
inson, center; Grace Whitlock, rush-
er; Beulah Bailie and Florence Saxer,
guards; Miss Mitchell, referee.

C. T. H. S. STUDENTS HEAR INTERESTING TALK

(Continued from page 1, col 1.)

aratory school the pupil conquers the
small problems of the day and is tri-
umphant, in later life he will over-
come the greater obstacles and be
victorious on account of his early
training.

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ROSETTAS

Chauncey Holcomb and Orin Brown, former C. T. H. S. basket ball stars, who have recently returned from a trip to the wild and woolley west, were school inspectors Monday.

Report cards for the first report period will probably be given out Monday. The Seniors are all buying crepe to celebrate the event.

Mr. F. F. Stables, who coached the C. T. H. S. basket ball team on to a championship last year, spent Saturday and Sunday in Centralia visiting friends.

The Plane Geometry class was treated to its last test of the period Tuesday.

The twelve boys of the Junior (?) class who compose the far-famed "Junior Select Set," appeared in bran-new sweaters Monday. The sweaters are white with a lavender "C" enclosing the class numerals, "16." Good lookin'.

An important meeting of the "Sphinx" board was held Monday to discuss the question of allowing the classes to get out special numbers. It was decided to dedicate the Thanksgiving, Valentine and Easter numbers to the Sophomores, Juniors and Freshmen, respectively, if the classes will agree to accept some share of the responsibility.

A crowd of Seniors, seeking employment and exercise, tramped to Sandoval and back, Sunday. A rumor has gone around to the effect that they journeyed thence merely to behold Leon Sherman and his pop-corn wagon, Sh!

Farris English '15, a former C. T. H. S. student, who moved to Washington, D. C. this summer, is playing quarterback on his high school foot-ball team.

The high and mighty seniors are proudly sporting their class rings and pins that have at last arrived.

From the Scrapbook

If Temple Fike is sincere, is Anna Frank?

If Hilda Banks should get in an oven would Mary Belle Baker?

If Mary Parkinson should want an Algebra, would Lulu Sellers?

Is Robert Webster is thin as Harold Stout?

If Dorothy Burr should tell would Effie Skinner?

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Saturday, Oct. 17.—"The Viking Queen," in two parts, featuring Mary Fuller; also Broncho Billy Butts.

Monday, Oct. 19.—Episode No. 4 of "THE TREY O' HEARTS," in two parts.

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SQUIBLET

Miss Brunton—Define "erudition."
Noble Senior—Erudition is a dangerous condition.

Positive Proof

Gerald, (translating in German II.)
—He touched his head all over the rampart.

Miss Reibel (in Zoology)—Is the butterfly larva a true worm?
Ophelia—No, a true worm is a worm all the time.

An Improvement on Webster
(By way of the Spelling Class)
Formally she was his wife.
The man appeared at the corner symmetrically.
The phantom was very prosaic.
He was very incentive.
She was deficient to the school when she died.
The lesson was very pneumatic.

Not Acquainted

Freshie, (overhearing remark)—
Why, who's dead?
Senior: Florence Nightingale.
Freshie, (airily)—Oh, guess I don't know her. She never was in any of my classes.

New Law

Tom—What's that law about hygiene recently passed?
Mr. Trout—You mean eugenics. You know that one about "Oh, Eu-genical Doll?"

Miss Mitchell—Give the singular and plural possessive of "calf."
Wise Fresh—More calf, most calf.

Fashionable Latin

Tango, tan-ere, turki, trodden,—to dance furiously.

Miss Riebel, (In Com Geography)—
Earl, name a stimulant.
Earl—Cotton.

Knowledge

Mr. Tubbs—Leon, who is Jane Addams?
Leon, (brightly)—Why, —er— she's a noted actress!

Nine Lives?

Walter (translating)—They killed the man three times three and then buried him!

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No. 6

C. T. H. S. DEFEATS TAMAROA IN FAST GAME

GAME FEATURED BY ROUGH PLAY-
ING AND FAST TEAM WORK—
SCORE 25-11.

In a game featured by fast team work and some rough playing, the C. T. H. S. basket ball team put to route the enemy from Tamaroa Friday night on the local floor by the score of 25-11.

The game throughout was a fast start, both sides being determined to get the first field goal, with the result that the ball was whirled about first under one goal and then under the other, neither team making a point for almost the first ten minutes of play. Finally, with the ball in the enemy's territory, Loomis came down the field with a rush for the first field goal of the game. This was quickly followed by a shot by Marlow of Tamaroa tying the score. Reid then came forward with another drop into the basket, putting Centralia ahead two points. From then on the lead was held by Centralia, although at several times by successful teamwork, it appeared as if Tamaroa might lessen that lead. The score at the end of the first half stood 11-7 in favor of the C. T. H. S.

The game throughout was a fast exhibition of basket ball, although much rough play entered into it, and many fouls were called, the fouls called on Centralia totaling seventeen, those on Tamaroa, fourteen. The boys from Tamaroa exhibited some fast teamwork, falling down however, when it came to goal shooting.

Loomis starred in field work and goal shooting, getting five baskets to his credit. He was relieved in the second half by O. Holcomb. Webster also relieving Reid at right forward, R. Root taking the place of B. Root as center, and Waggoner displacing Cruzen as left guard.

The Tamaroa bunch is a town team, (Continued on page 2, col. 3)

FIRST MINING CLASS AT C. T. H. S. TUESDAY

MR. SMITH TAKES UP ELEMENTS
OF PHYSICS AND BUSINESS
ARITH.—32 PRESENT.

Tuesday evening at 7:30, the first classes of the Instruction School for Miners met at C. T. H. S. and under the supervision of Mr. H. E. Smith of the Mining Department of the University of Illinois, effected a good beginning in the work. Thirty-two of the miners interested, attended the first classes.

The first lesson dealt with the elementary branches of Physics. Mr. Smith took up the three divisions of matter, solids, fluids, and gases, and discussed their composition. Next he brought forward and explained the molecular and atomic theories. The diffusion of molecules and the subject of molecular force were made clear to the miners. Mr. Smith also touched for a moment upon the explanation of specific gravity.

Next he passed to a different subject, Business Arithmetic. The first lesson was intended as a brushing-up in that subject. Here again, the first principles were discussed and practice work was given in which these principles were involved.

Altogether, the first meeting of the classes showed much interest both on the part of the miners and their instructor. The fact that with the exception of one man, all who enrolled, attended the first classes, gives added proof of the interest which the miners are taking in this plan and the cooperation which they are offering. Regular meetings will be conducted from now on, continuing throughout the winter.

Sad but True

Ruby—Say, do you know this town lays crooked?—I mean lies.

Stella—Yes—I've found that it lies alright.

SOPHS TO ASSIST WITH THANKSGIVING PAPER

THANKSGIVING NUMBER TO BE
DEDICATED TO SOPHOMORE
CLASS—STAFF ELECTED.

At an important meeting of the Sophomore class Thursday evening, it was decided to make the special number of the "SPHINX" for Thanksgiving a joint Sophomore and Thanksgiving paper, dedicated to the Sophomore class.

The proposition of turning four of the largest numbers of the paper over to the four classes, the Thanksgiving Number of the Sophomores, the Valentine paper to the Juniors, the Easter issue to the Freshmen, and the Commencement edition to the Seniors, was voted upon at a recent meeting of the "Sphinx" board. It was decided to offer these numbers to the different classes on condition that they accept a certain responsibility in regard to contributions.

The Sophomore class in deciding to help with the Thanksgiving paper, is undertaking a task of no mean value to them. Contributions for this paper should be coming in all the time, not only, however from the Sophomores, but also from the other classmates as well. In furtherance of this plan the class has selected a staff to assist in the collection of contributions and in the turning over of material for the paper. Marguerite Umsler, who will act as chairman of a committee on contributions was elected editor and Earl Harmon, business manager. A committee elected, met to appoint the remainder of the staff. Harry Blakely and George Wisner were appointed class cartoonists; Dorothy Burr and Myrtle Miller, literary editors; Lucille Eberts, joke editor and Varian Adams, class photographer. Work on the paper has already begun, and it is hoped that the students will give the Sophomores their much-needed cooperation.

The Reason Why.

Little Freshie—(sentimentally)—I don't see how those Germans can burn up beautiful cities like Louvain.

German Stude—Well you see they have neuter hearts.

Junior—(In Medieval History)—The friars were a class of begging mumps.

BASKET BALL

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The Sphinx is still here, but wise ones of C. T. H. S., where are your contributions? That little box in the corridor was not placed there for purposes of decoration, but to give to the students of C. T. H. S. the opportunity of making their paper their paper. Now's your chance,—make the most of it.

With the Hallow'een and Thanksgiving editions coming on, the "Sphinx" needs your support more than ever. Where are the funny things that are always happening in class? Where are the people who can write poems and interesting stories? Now is the time to show your ability. What matter if your first contribution is not published at once—Don't wait or be discouraged; try again. The paper is yours—make it yours; the opportunity is yours; accept it; the responsibility is yours; shoulder it.

INTERESTING DEBATE IN ORAL ENGLISH

The debate Thursday in Oral English proved to be one of the most interesting debates given this year. The question was, "Resolved: That prizes should be granted for merit in school work."

The negative team, composed of Antonia Fishbacha Augusta Fike, Curtiss Grissom and Sula Brown, was granted the decision by the judges, 2-1. The class however, rendered its decision in favor of the affirmative. The affirmative team was made up of Syl-

ALUMNI NOTES.

Miss Mable Fowler '11, is spending a couple of weeks in St. Louis.

Miss Lelia Cope '14 of Tonti is spending a month in St. Louis visiting relatives.

Miss Winnie Livesay, of the class of '13, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Louis Weigel for a short time.

Miss Helen Welton '13, has joined the Cenhica Camp of Camp Fire Girls of this city.

David Mc Keown '14, has passed the teachers' examination and is now teaching in Oklahoma.

Justin Kohl '13 and Clem and Glen Doolin '12 came home from Campaign Saturday for a few days' visit.

Miss Grace Pope, valedictorian of her class in 1903, and formerly a teacher in our grade schools was married Wednesday evening, October 14, at 7:15 p. m., at the home of her parents in Homewood, Illinois, to Mr. Logan Snyder. Mr. Snyder is a 1914 graduate of the School of Agriculture at the University of Illinois. Miss Pope has been teaching in Rankin, Illinois, since spending two years at the same University. Mr. and Mrs. Snyder will live on a farm near Kaukaee, Illinois.

Prof. Frank MacFarland of the Leland Stanford Junior University is perhaps the most illustrious of those who went out from the old High School if it may be judged by his present position, that of Professor of Histology, and by the numerous letters of the alphabet which belong after his name, by virtue of the following degrees: Ph. B. DePaw, 1889; A. M. Stanford, 1893; Ph. D. Wurzburg, Germany, 1896. He was a professor of Biology and Geology at Olivet College, 1889-192. When he became Assistant Prof. of Histology at Stanford where he has been a full fledged professor for several years. During this time he has studied at Wurzburg, Zurich and Naples. His work with the microscope is shared by his wife, an Ohio lady, who finds it intensely interesting.

Mrs. Dr. John Gordon, of Ogden, Utah, has graced many positions of honor and usefulness in her far away home. She has many friends here who remember her as Eunice Cogswell, '86. She has filled the position of Worthy Matron, the highest state office of the Eastern Star and is a capable church and women's club worker. One of her recent letters tells of the happy results of a contest of children in Ogden, in beautifying their lawns. She has the supervision of one hundred and twenty lawns.

Natural

Carl—I wonder why the teachers are always trying to make a fool of me? Kind friend—I suppose they follow the course of least resistance.

va Watts, Leon Sherman, Oral Cruzen, and Jessie Beaver. This was the first time this year that the majority of the class failed to support the decision of the judges.

C. T. H. S. DEFEATS TAMAROA IN FAST GAME

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not a high school team. They were defeated by Nashville on the Nashville floor, the score being 24-18.

The lineup was as follows:

C. T. H. S.	Tamaroa
P. Loomis	.....l. f. Jackson
T. Reid	.....r. f. Marlowe
B. Root	.....c. Lee
O. Cruzen	.....l. g. Blanchard
L. Sherman	.....r. g. Barber
O. Holcomb	.....l. g.
B. Webster	.....r. f.
E. Waggoner	.....l. g.
R. Root	.....c.

The goals thrown from the field—Loomis 5, Reid 4, Marshall 2, Jackson 2, Webster 1.

Goals thrown from fouls called, Reid 3, Jackson 3, Loomis 1, Holcomb 1. Referee, Trout, Centralia.

MY AMBITION

Every girl and boy has at some time an ambition to be something higher than the ordinary person.

Very likely some of the boys who saw Coloned Roosevelt a few weeks ago longed to be like him.

Perhaps something like this was said, carelessly, "Gee, he looks like his picture, don't he, Bill—mouth and all!"—and yet deep, deep down in that boy's heart there was a yearning—a yearning ever so faint, to win honor in the world, to kill tigers, to discover rivers, and greater than all, to be President of the United States. This yearning may only be for a minute but sometimes the aspiration lives and burns like an undying fire often bringing the most pleasing results. These are the people who with one ambition, work honestly, steadily, persistently, untringly, and win a place of fame and reliability in the world.

I, too, have an ambition,—an ambition to be an authoress, to win the love of children especially, as Louisa May Alcott did. Though she has been dead about twenty-six years, her stories, "Little Women," "Little Men," "Aunt Jo's Scrap Bag," "An Old Fashioned Girl" and others are still loved by the children of today. She was their great friend and loved them dearly. This is the reason her books are for and about them.

If I ever can stir the hearts of people with my work as Louisa May Alcott, my favorite writer, has stirred my heart, my highest dreams shall be realized.

Helen Stevens '18.

Doubted

Student —(discussing early American explosion)—Yes; Marquette proved that the Mississippi River flew in the Gulf of Mexico.

Positive Proof

Miss Fuller—How do you know the world is round?

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ROSETTAS

Chauncey Holcomb, one of last year's students, visited high school Thursday.

The Junior class held an important meeting in room three Wednesday after school.

Faust Gilpin '14, made his weekly call at school Thursday afternoon. Faust reports that he enjoys these short visits very much.

Regular time for girls' basket ball practice has been set for Tuesday afternoons. Once a week at that time the gym. will be turned over to the girls and all other goal shooters will be debarred.

The Cenica Camp Fire Girls met with Florence Saxer Thursday evening. Four new members, who will be admitted into the Camp next Thursday evening, Helen Welton, Genevieve Ledford, Gladys Goodman and Clara Peifer, were voted upon. The Camp also decided to entertain at a Halloween party and plans have been formed to send a Christmas box to one of the Children's Hospitals.

The German Club will meet at the home of Jean Fyke this evening. All members are urged to be present.

A second very successful yell practice took place Friday afternoon in the Assembly Hall. Three cheers for the cheer leaders!

June Featherling and Florence Thomas visited school Friday afternoon to hear the results of the yell practice.

Mrs. Frederick Lowith, a sister of Miss Lee is visiting her this week. Both Mrs. Lowith and Miss Lee spent the week-end in DuQuoin visiting friends.

At a faculty meeting Thursday afternoon, the Domestic Science class treated the faculty to "eats" consisting of custard and cottage cheese. Friday evening in grade meeting, Mrs. Lowith acted as hostess.

A Breach of Etiquette.

Miss Mitchell (In English III)—What do you think of Uriah Heep, Raymond?

Raymond, (sitting up and stretching)—Er-(stretch)-um-(yawn)-huh? Miss Mitchell—Oh-excuse me; I didn't know you sleeping.

Mr. Tubbs—(in Psychology)—Wendell, would the feelings of one deep in thought be pleasant or painful?

Wendell—Well I don't know, but I imagine they would be painful.

Mr. Tubbs—Wendell hasn't had the experience but he imagines it would be painful.

Miss Erbes (in German III)—Wie heiss seine Frau? (What is your wife called?)

Alden (quickly)—Ich habe keine Frau! (I have no wife).

Teacher, (in Com Arith)—Why do people have to pay taxes?

Small Fresh—To fix up the roads and teachers.

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Mr Trout—I served on a jury once a long while ago.

Jessie—They always choose ignorant men for juries, don't they?

"A poem I would like to write,"

Said student told one day,

"But subjects on which I recite

Aren't the things to say.

"For in stance when I start to scrib,"

Complained this small young Poe,

"I'd worry ish-ga-bib,"

Are all the words I know.

"But the motto 'ish-gabib'

Is well for optimists;

"I'd wish to say more in my squib,

But fear to twist my wrists.

15.

Always Suspected It.

Byron—What's the matter, Geary?

Dwight—Aw, he hit me in the head

and knocked all the wind out of me.

Byron—Oh, is that what's in your

head?

Naturally

Temple—(or way to basket ball

game)—Say, if I loose this quarter

I can't go to the game.

Gussie—O, yes you will. We'll go

on our faces.

Temple—(Sericusly)—Gee, I won't.

I'm going in on my feet.

Percy—(in Civics)—A wife doesn't have to be a witness against her husband.

Bright Senior—She's a witness if she wants a divorce against him, isn't she?

Teacher—Is insanity hereditary?

Antonia—Of course it is. If anyone grew insane they would hand that insanity down to their ancestors.

Freshie—I don't have a class tomorrow because we have consolation of themes then.

(Miss Lee must have been abusing the poor themes.)

Curious Questions

Matches—Second thoughts are always considered the best, aren't they?

James—I suppose so.

Matches—Then why don't we think of them first?

I

Tell me not in mournful numbers,

School is but an empty dream,

For he is not dead who slumbers,

That is only how things seem.

II

We are real, we are earnest,

We are all a lot of braves,

Green you were to green returnest,

Is not spoken o'er our graves.

III

Let us then by grades the highest

Make our teachers praise us all,

So, departing, leave behind us,

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NASHVILLE FIVE FALLS AT HANDS OF C. T. H. S.

**STRONG NASHVILLE TEAM IS
ROUTED IN CLOSE GAME—
FINAL SCORE 33-22.**

Out-weighted two to one but not out-played the C. T. H. S. quintet sent the Nashville five went down to a 33-22 defeat.

The Nashville boys, thirsting for revenge for the numerous past reverses, started the game with a whirlwind rush and soon broke the ice with a neat throw for a goal. As has always been the cast when C. T. H. S. and Nashville played together, the Centralia boys did not stay behind for any length of time. A few well directed passes brought the ball into home territory, and Reid netted a clever throw. The playing of both sides was fast and furious the entire first half, but with the superior fighting qualities of the Cardinal and White defenders keeping their adversaries at bay, the first half ended 15-10 with Nashville trailing.

The second half of the game was similar to the first, except that the last part of the game was marked by better all-round playing. Nashville, seeing defeat staring from the score-board, attempted in vain to overhaul the flying Centralians. Sherman at guard kept the wolf away, and before long, Loomis and Reid had netted enough baskets to put the game on ice, the final score being 33-22.

Too much cannot be said in praise of the scrappy fight put up by the Centralia five, and the passing, which their taller opponents were unable to break up. Each player on the team deserves much credit for his share in winning the game and if indications don't go wrong, C. T. H. S. will be represented this year by a winning organization. The line-up for the game is as follows:

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Hallowe'en Number



If you will look
In this book
Your life and fate
It will relate



C. T. H. S.

FIRST REPORTS SHOW CLASS STANDINGS

**SENIOR CLASS SHOWS SMALLEST
PERCENTAGE OF FAILURES—
DELPHIC LEADS IRIS.**

The reports of the first six weeks' work of the students show up well for some and quite the opposite for others. There were the usual number of failures, the lower classmen, especially the Freshmen, having a larger percentage of failures than the upper classmen, owing perhaps to the broad jump existing between the work in the grades and in high school. Perhaps, however, the largest percent of failures occurred among the post-graduates, one-third of that body, or one student, failing in one subject.

A very creditable showing was made by the Senior Class, only three of the class failing in one or more subjects. As there are about thirty-eight members of the class, the number of failures was only eight percent.

Of the fifty-five members of the Junior Class, eleven students, or about twenty percent of the total number failed.

In the Sonhomore Class the percent of failures was greater. About twenty-four students, or thirty-five percent of the Sonhomore class, failed in at least one subject.

As is not surprising, the largest number of failures occurred in the Freshman Class, where forty-four Freshmen, or forty-six percent of the members of this class, experienced at least one failure.

As over one-half of the students in high school belong to one or the other of the two literary societies, it proved interesting to discover just how the two societies stood in regard to scholarship. To the Delphic is due the honor of having the smallest percent of failures, only thirty-eight of the members of this society failing. Forty-six of the members of the Iris Society failed in some subject.

The results of the reports are interesting from other standpoints than as mere reports. The largest number of failures in the Freshman Class also points out the fact that the longer a student remains in high school the less likely he is to make a failure, and the easier it is for him to study.

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Et tu, Brute!

We are surprised, chagrined, dumb-founded! For years past, Centralia Township High School has received the loyal support of alumni and former students without exception. But last Friday night we were given a shock from which we will not be able to recover for some time to come.

Last year we had a wonderful basket ball team which received the loyal support of every student and of all the townspeople of Centralia. Bounteous banquets were given in their honor; every privilege which could be granted them was theirs; their praises were on every tongue. Many were the long trips which we made to cheer them on to victory. But what have we received in return?

Last Friday night we played Nashville. We were well aware of the fact that Nashville was a foeman worthy of our steel. We realized that it would be a close game, and we needed all the support we could possibly muster. But to our infinite dismay, we found that some members of last year's team had betrayed us in our extremity; at the very time when we needed help, had given away our signals and had even bet money on Nashville. The boys whom we had supported so loyally last year, instead of being for us, were against us even as far as coaching our opponents from the side lines.

It is with a mixture of surprise and bitterness that we compel ourselves to think of them in this new role; as

THE POETS' CORNER

ONE HALLOWE'EN.

Oh, the spooky-wooky feelin'
That comes a'creepin' over me,
When the goblins an' the witches
Flyin' thru the air, I see.
It's the Witching Hallowe'en.

Bobbin', dancin', 'mongst the shadows
With their grinnin', scary faces,
Better keep a' kind of movin'
For they'll get you in dark places.
It's the Goblins' Hallowe'en.

A gipsy-flame keeps creepin'
'Long the shadow's inky side,
Wonder what it is, oh, younguns,
We better run an' hide!
It's the Haunting Hallowe'en.

The pale, calm stars are shinin',
An' the moon looks from on high.
But now he ducks his bright, old
head,
A witch goes sailin' by.
It's the Witches' Hallowe'en.

So dear children, don't be frightened
When you see a strange, strange
light.
For you know this is the only
Goblins' witches', own, own night.
It's the only Hallowe'en.

Jennie Grace Terpinitz, '16

ME AN' JIMMY

When de spooks am walkin' out,
An' de witches caldron bubbles,
When de leaves fall all about,
An' de co'nfieids full ob stubbles;
Den ah totes mah lil' Jinny,
(She's mah lil' pickaninny).
Suah oh totes mah lil' Jinny
To de co'nfieid.

Where de yaller pumkins glimmah
In de moonshine.—der ole Mammy
Sits acrooin' in de flickah
Ob de dancin' moonbeans, skippah;
Der oh totes mah lil' Jinny.
(She's mah lil' pickaninny),
Suah ah totes mah lil' Jinny
To de co'nfieid.

Den we sit an' look down yondah
At ole Mammy's big black kittle;
An' mah Jinny says, "I wondah
If de witches bought dat kittle!"
Den oh totes mah lil' Jinny,
(She's mah lil' pickaninny),
Suah oh totes mah lil' Jinny
F'om de co'nfieid.

Antonia Fischbacha, '15.

OCEOBER 31st.

On Hallowe'en
We're always mean,

they whose very names spelled "Loyalty" to us, crush the good will which we have cherished for them and scornfully turn their backs to connive against us.

Our boasted "Centralia Loyalty" has received a blow which has staggered her, but we take up the old song again; with a spirit stronger than ever we band ourselves together to back the new team. May its success be as sure as our hearts are loyal!

—Contributed.

We just can't help but be,
When boys use chalk,
And 'cross the walk
Are strings tied to a tree.
Form tall and lean.

The shadows screen,
We're almost scared to death!
We run, and scream
Like in a dream.—
And find it's only Beth.

Big sister calls,
And through the halls
We to the feast do go,
Where pumpkins bold
And apples gold
Gleam in the firelight's glow.
Helen Ruehl, '18.

US BOYS

I tell you wbat, it's awful fine
When Hallowe'en comes 'round;
Us boys get out and play most tricks
An' never make a sound.

One time we went to Johnsen's house;
They live right opposite
To Mister Henry Jones' folks.
And they don't get 'long a bit.
We tied a rope to one front door,
Then carried it 'cross the street,
An' tied it to the other knob;
Oh gee! but it was sweet!

To see how, when we rang the bells,
One door would open wide
An' pullin' on the other one
Would with great force collide

With Mister Henry Jones' wife;
Who for the longest time
Would never speak to her neighbor;
But through the moon-flower vine

Would look to see if she was home
Or gone a-visitin'
To her next neighbor's back yard
fence,—
Or to the grocery.

One time we all dressed up in white
An' went to nigger Rooks.
He had a half a score o' kids,
That was SO afraid o' spooks.

That they would have a million fits
An' go an' run an' hide.
N' then us fellers tied a string
Close to the winder's side,

An' goin' 'way off 'cross the street
An' holdin' it real tight.
We rubbed it with some resin hard;
It made SOME sound all right.

Those pickaninnies were so scared
They all crawled 'neath the bed.
An' weren't come out at half past six.
That's what Jim Johnson said.

But now I tell you what, you mind,
That when you play a trick
You musn't let your Daddy know
Or you'll regret it quick;

For somehow Father found it out
How I'd been out that night.
An' now it's mighty rare that Pa
Lets me get out o'sight.
Marguerite Shanklin, '16.

BILLY'S LAST HALLOWE'EN

Billy sat down with his face puckered in a perplexed frown. He just couldn't understand Aunt Kate. She acted as if she had never been a boy. Billy considered this theory awhile and at last came to the conclusion that Aunt Kate never had been a boy. This decision having been reached, he seized both ears absently and twisted them into various shapes. Still he could think of no way of reasoning with Aunt Kate. Halloween was foolish,—Aunt Kate said so, but still there were certain things like soaping windows and scaring old lady White, and putting Theodore Parvey Jones's black cat on the clothes-line with another cat,—things like these never hurt anyone. In fact it did them good because they could think how funny they were—afterwards.

"Willyum!"

Billy started. He did not go down stairs, however. Instead he slipped farther back into the darkest corner of the attic.

"Willyum Jeremiah! You come straight down and cut some wood!"

Billy stared thoughtfully at the bunches of Aunt Kate's dried herbs. They reminded him unpleasantly of colds, and mumps, and measles. He decided it was best to hide in the clothes chest. It was dark there,—but he heard Aunt Kate's step on the stairs.

Aunt Kate stalked into the attic. Billy's heart went thump—thump thump! What if she looked in the clothes chest. Aunt Kate had very sharp eyes. He looked around in the dark closet to see if his heart accidentally slipped out of his mouth. It had not. He peeped cautiously through

the keyhole. His heart gave one final bound—Aunt Kate was marching down stairs like a grenadier.

Slipping easily out of the chest, Billy gazed at the vanishing back of Aunt Kate. It was a very straight and unrelenting back. He sighed and then looked anxiously through the window. It was almost time for Jim to come. Then he heard a subdued whistle.

"I'm comin'," he whispered. Of course Jim couldn't hear that whistle, but he didn't dare answer out loud. And Jim knew he was coming, anyway. Billy quickly descended on a rope ladder that he had made out of Aunt Kate's new clothes line. Aunt Kate wouldn't notice the knots much when she used the line. Besides she might never find the line since Jim had said they could use it, and if it was gone, how could she notice the knots? Billy's heart was at peace at last.

"Jimmy," he called softly, "You there?"

A little freckle-faced boy with a turned up nose and a pair of twinkling grey eyes peered out from the empty dog house in the yard.

"Sure," he answered. "Is your Aunt gone in?"

"Uhuh. What you got—I got a bar o' soap, this rope, some nails, an' a tic-tac." Billy announced this in a very impressive manner. It took a great deal of skill to get these things when Aunt Kate was around.

"Oh, I got a bunch of stuff. Come on an' I'll show it to you. It ain't dark enough to start anything yet." And Jim led the way to a tiny box of a place on which was painted in large irregular letters, "Privat Offise. Keep Out."

The boys sat down gravely on the

two milk boxes inside. Slowly night began to drop her star-gemmed curtain over the fast disappearing gold and scarlet of the sunset.

Suddenly the clang—clang of the fire bell broke the quiet! The engine rattled over the curbing! Men and women, bareheaded, rushed wildly about. Bicycles, wagons, buggies, howling dogs, boys, snarling cats—the entire population of Riverburg had gone out to see the fire.

Billy and Jim rushed with them.

"Where's it at?" asked Billy, breathlessly.

"Over 't your house. Should think you'd know it," answered the man as he hurried on.

What was the matter with the crowd? What were they all looking at? Billy craned his neck so that he might look above the others' heads. The attic window was wreathed with flames—and there stood Aunt Kate!

"He's in here," she screamed as they tried to get her out. "I know he is, I locked him in. Billy! Oh, Billy, do come!"

"No I aint, Aunt Kate. I'm not burnt. I'm all here. Honest I am. See! Please come down," pleaded Billy, lifting a scared white face to his Aunt in the window.

Billy's Aunt Kate came down quickly.

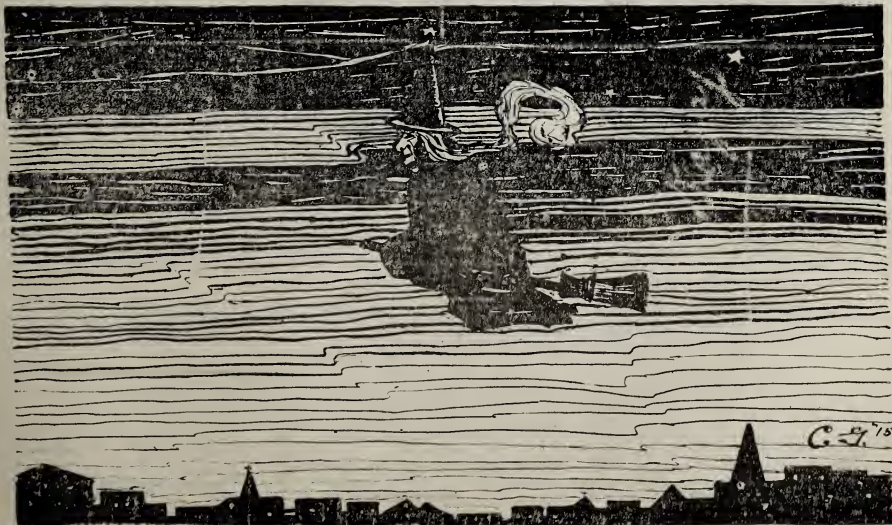
As she got to the ground the roof fell in with a crash.

"Aunt Kate, I'm sorry. I won't ever—," began Billy.

Aunt Kate eyed her nephew severely.

"William Jerimiah! Halloween's all foolishness. You may chop the wood now."

And Billy sighed, looked at Aunt Kate's back, and went slowly toward the woodshed. —Antonia Fischbacha.



THE ORIGIN OF HALLOWE'EN

Hallowe'en or All Hallows Eve, is the name given to the thirty-first of October, so called because it is the eve of vigil of Hallow-mas, otherwise known as the festival of All Saints, which falls on the first of November. Now, Hallowe'en is associated in the imagination with supernatural influences, but it is clearly a relic handed down to the people of today by their pagan forefathers, with a few of its formerly attendant ceremonies which lived long before Christianity.

The ancient Hallowe'en had two chief characteristics; these were the lighting of huge bon-fires, and the belief that on this night, of all nights most sacred to them, ghosts and witches were certain to wander abroad, casting mysterious spells and weaving their weird enchantments. At that time, on or about the first of November, the Druids met and held their great autumn festival, lighting their fires in honor of the Sun-God as thanksgiving for a plenteous harvest, or as a petition for better treatment of their fields and fruits another year. More than that, it was a belief of the Druids that on the eve of this glorious festival Saman, the Lord of Death, called together on the "ill winds that blow nobody good," the wicked souls that within the past twelve months had been condemned to inhabit the bodies of animals as a penance for misdeeds. Thus it happened that the main celebrations of Hallowe'en were at first purely Druidical. Even now in parts of Ireland the thirty-first of October is still known as Oidhche Shammas, the "Vigil of Saman."

The Druidic celebration was invested with some of the characteristics of the ancient Roman festival in honor of Pomona, Goddess of the fruit-trees, which was held about the 1st. of Nov. In this fete nuts and apples representing the winter store of fruits, played an important part. Thus the roasting of nuts and the sport known as "apple-ducking,"—attempting to seize with the teeth an apple floating in a tub of water,—were once the universal occupation of the young folk of England on the thirty-first of October. In the north of England Hallowe'en is still known as "Nutterack Night."

The custom of lighting Hallowe'en fires survived in the highlands of Scotland and Wales until recent years. In the dying embers as many stones were placed as there were persons present and next morning a search was made. If any were lost or displaced, it was regarded as a certain sign that the person whose stone had disappeared would die within the next twelve months. In Scotland, especially, these ceremonies during the vigil of Hallow-mas were looked upon in a superstitious light. The evening was frequently celebrated with meetings of the young people, when all sorts of mystical rites and ceremonies were performed, in order to reveal future husbands and wives. The principal object in consulting the future is and always has been to discover who one's future partner in life will be.

THE WITCHING HOUR

Four minutes until the hour when ten thousand hooked-nosed, toothless witches, mounted on broomsticks, would sail forth on their annual gruesome frolics in the air, grinning at blinking black cats as they pass by.

High up in a dark old attic three school girls, indifferent to the possibility of incurring the wrath of grim witches, waited for that hour to brew a spell that would reveal their fates in dreams that night. Seated on the floor, chin in hand, without even one fearful glance at the lumpy dark over their shoulders, they stared silently at the dancing blue flame of burning alcohol and listened.

From far away came a faint yell of a band of belated mischief-makers, hilarious over the success of some prank. Then all was still. Not even the ticking of a clock could be heard nor even a timid gnaw of an industrious mouse.

Then from far below came twelve long, solemn booms!

At the same instant, three girls knelt before the fire and dropped into the flame three long, snaky hairs, three squirming, wriggling spiders, and three shining drops of blood, while three pairs of lips moved in dark uncanny chants.

Suddenly they shivered. The flame flickered, hesitated, and then went out. All was dark. All was still.

Then through the darkness, in one corner, appeared a white writhing mass. Gradually it took shape and became a gleaming hand, glowing yet giving off no light. Slowly, silently it floated towards the center of the room.

One half minute later, in the hall below, an ever watchful teacher saw three terrified girls come rushing down the narrow stairs, that led to the attic, and disappear into room No. 18. As she stood wondering how far their love of mischief had carried them she heard a faint and suppressed giggle. Turning she saw a fourth girl slip down the same stairs. Even in the dim light the teacher saw the dead white of gleaming phosphorus on the hand that held her long dark coat together.

The next morning as thirty-six hilarious girls started off on their regular Saturday morning outing, four girls instead of three did penance in the office. As they studied, three bent still lower over their books; while the fourth, ignored, and snubbed by the others, found something so irresistibly funny in her Latin that she giggled out loud.

Mary Parkinson, '15

Little Willie from the mirror
Sucked the mercury off,
Thinking in his childish error
It would cure the whooping cough.

At the funeral, Willie's mama
Sweetly said to Mrs. Brown,
Twas a chilly day for Willie
When the mercury went down.

Miss R.—What is the highest form
of animal life?
Bright Soph—The giraffe.

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ALUMNI NOTES.

Miss Murray of the C. T. H. S. faculty, is a member of the Alpha Chi Omega Sorority at Wisconsin University. She was especially welcomed in Centralia by two residents, both graduates of the old high school and members of the Alpha Chi Omega at Du Pauw University. They are Mrs. Dr. Rice, who was Louie Ulliyette, '94, and Mrs. Fred Pullen, who was Grace Wilson, '09.

Mrs. Oscar McMurray of Chicago, is visiting her sisters, Mrs. S. L. Dwight and Mrs. Ida Haussler. Mrs. McMurray was Sadie Noleman of the famous class of '81, the first class to graduate from the high school.

Mr. Charles F. Row and family spent last Sunday with relatives in Centralia. Mr. Row graduated in '90 and is now manager of the DuQuoin branch of Kohl and Meyer.

Myrtle Fowler '11, has returned from a visit in St. Louis.

Burnham Walraven '12, came down from Champaign Friday to visit with home folks.

Bess Shanklin '14, spent Sunday in Salem.

Clara Peifer '13, was initiated into the Cenrich Camp of Camp Fire Girls, Thursday evening.

George Walraven '12, is home from Decatur for a few days.

EXCHANGES

We are glad to acknowledge the following exchanges this month:

The Vidette—Normal, Illinois.
Weekly Review—Hamilton, Ohio.
Spectator—Paterson, N. J.
Illinois Wesleyan Argus—Bloomington, Illinois.

Student Life—St. Louis, Mo.
The Behistun—Flora, Illinois.
Hyde Park Weekly—Chicago, Ill.
Sphinx—Madison, Wis.
The Rail Splitter—Lincoln, Illinois.
The Gem City—Quincy, Illinois.
The White Elephant—Siam, China.
The Tooter—South Omaha, Neb.
The Decaturian—Decatur, Ill.
College Rambler.

Weekly Review—You have a good paper.

The Rail Splitter—Your paper is well arranged. Your literary department is especially good.

The White Elephant—We were more than glad to receive an exchange from across the ocean and are very interested in your work. The letter by an American tourist was both interesting and educational.

Behistun—We like your name. Your editorials have been very good, and the article on "Our Arms" would be a credit to any school.

Student Life—Washington U. certainly has some rousing good yells.

The Spectator—"We live to laugh"—your joke department is especially good.

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ROSETTAS

Mr. A. E. Gilpin was a school visitor Friday. He attended yell practice and gave the rooters a short speech.

There was a meeting of the Sophomore class Wednesday evening in Room 4. The Sophs elected Rae McKittrick, Class Historian, for the present year, and Georgia Sligar Class Prophet.

The Freshmen met in Room 4 Thursday to discuss further the all-absorbing question of green-and-white caps.

Veneita Johnson and Leila Givney were school visitors Wednesday afternoon.

The Girls' Glee Club sang "Tree Little Chestnuts" for the assembly Friday morning.

The Navajo Camp Fire Girls met in Room 13 Thursday, to discuss methods known only to themselves.

Burnham Walraven, 12, was a school visitor Friday.

Mr. Housh, representing the Housh Studio at Salem, came down Friday afternoon and took a group picture of the Sophomore class and another of its officers.

The Civics class Friday attempted to seize Room 10, the lawful property of the Geometry class. The plaintiff appealed to Mr. Tubbs, who supported the Geometry class, with the result that the people in Civics departed to another territory.

Thursday's debate in Oral English, while not coming up to the standard set by the previous debates, was very good notwithstanding.

Genevieve Ledford, Wendell Heaton, Alden Perrine and Ray McKittrick supported the winning affirmative, and Edith Robertson, Hollie Root, Jennie Grace Terpinitz and Marguerite Shanklin, the negative. The question was, "Resolved: That a System of Old Age Pensions Should be Adopted in the United States." Augusta Pike conducted the debate.

Oh yes: Faust Gilpin called again Friday afternoon.

STRANGE

Mr. Trout (In English History) — Yes, William had four sons,—and they all had names!

NASHVILLE FIVE FALLS AT HANDS OF C. T. H. S.

(Continued from page 1, col 1)
Centralia Nashville
P. Loomis.....lf..... Nolte
T. Reid.....rf..... Sevier
B. Root.....c..... Schroeder
O. Cruzen.....lg..... Watts
L. Sherman.....rg..... Hildebrand
Vernor
Borhman
Goals thrown from the field—Reid
7. Loomis 6. Schroeder 4. Sevier 3.
Nolte 2. O. Cruzen 1. Foul goals
thrown, P. Loomis 4. Nolte 4. Reid 1.
Referee, Trout: umpire, Krumbrick.
Timekeeper and scorer, S. Loomis.

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Not all of us wear good clothes,
But a smile is not expensive
And it covers a world of woes.



SQIBLETS

Poor Freda!

Mr. Trout (speaking of Feudalism)

—Freda, what is a relief?

Freda—I don't know; I never had any.

1st Senior—Where is "Paradise Lost?"

2nd Senior—Don't know, who lost it, anyway?

Found in the Academy Song Book

Glady's—"Thave a home prepared for Me."

Matches—"Work for the Night is Coming."

Harry—As pants the wearied Hart.

Jessie—The Blushing Maple Tree.

James—One Grand Sweet Song.

Percy—Abide with Me.

Mr. Tubbs—Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen.

Florence—Hold Thou My Hand.

Carl—Avon—(There's nothing Bright Above).

Temple—Hark, Hark, the Lark.

Antonia—What need Have I.

Augusta—I would That My Love—

Walter—Aspiration.

Byron—Byron Lay Dreaming.

The Seniors—How Can I Leave Thee—

The Juniors—We Plough the Fields.

The Sophomores—Leaving the Nest.

The Freshman—Come Ye Disconsolate.

1st. smart Senior boy—See that furniture? I made it all out of my head.

2nd. smart Senior boy—On looking closely at your cranium I do not doubt it.

At The Game Frیده

First Student—I've yelled so much I feel like the centaurs.

Second Student—How's that?

First Student—Half horse.

A Mt. Vernon girl was praising her home town. Every time she said anything about it she said it was so "unique."

A Centralia Latin student listened until she was tired. Then she said:

"Well unique comes from 'unis' meaning 'one' and 'equus' meaning horse—Mt. Vernon is certainly a unique town!"

First Freshie—What is a nucleus?

Second Student—Something that other things gather about.

First Freshie—Then I was one last week when I upset a beehive in the dark.

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No. 8

MARION TEAM GOES DOWN TO DEFEAT, 33-4

GAME FEATURED BY STRONG
GUARDING—B. ROOT PLAYS
A FAST GAME.

In a rather slow game Friday night in the gym. C. T. H. S. wiped Marion off the map by the top heavy score, 33-4.

Marion high school has only supported a basket ball team for the past two years, but her plucky representatives showed up very well notwithstanding. Against a team less strong than Centralia in guard work they might have piled up a much larger score. As it was, almost every play their opponents put up was blocked by the home team. The entire game was featured by the strong guarding of Sherman and Cruzen, neither forward of the opposing team making a goal the two field goals which were thrown being made by the center.

The game was a one-sided one from the start, Centralia raising the score rapidly by a succession of pretty throws, and playing all around her tall opponents. At no time during the game was there any danger of Centralia's dropping behind. Though to no one on the team can the credit of the victory be due, the work of the C. T. H. S. center, B. Root, calls for attention. Not only did he get the tip-off nearly every time, but by some clever shooting he netted six field goals for Centralia's list. The score at the end of the first half stood 15-2 with C. T. H. S. leading.

The line-up for the game was as follows:

Centralia	Marion
P. Loomis	..... l. f. Dodd
T. Reid	..... r. f. Goddard
B. Root	..... c. Miller
O. Cruzen	..... l. g. Alkman
J. Sherman	..... f. g. Hall
R. Webster	..... Bracy
E. Waggoner	..... subs. McCoy
R. Root	.....

Goals thrown from the field: Loomis, 6; B. Root, 6; Reid, 3; Miller, 2; Webster, 1. Foul goals thrown, Loomis, 1. Referee, Trout. Scorer and timer, Sabert Loomis.

Lawrence—What do you think of Dwight's mustache?

Mayme—I think it's the cutest thing I ever saw in my life. It nearly tickled me to death.

SCHOOL YELLS USED AT BASKET BALL GAMES

OLD AND NEW YELLS PRINTED
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EVERYONE LEARN THEM.

For the benefit of some of the new members of the high school, it has been decided to publish a few of the high school yells so that there will be no excuse for anyone's not rooting at basket ball games. The following are some of the yells which are being used this year:

Rattle on a tin pan,
Shiny up a tree,
(Opponents' name) high school,
Teedle, deedle, dee!

Go get a shovel, go get a spade,
Poor (opponents's name)! your grave is made!

Are we in it?
Well I guess—
Hoop her for C. T. H. S.

Rah rah! rah!
Hip! hi! ha!
Rip-bom! zip-bom!
Cen-tra-lia.

Who are—who are—who are we—
We are—we are—we are the
P-e-o—p-l-e.
Centralia!

Rickety, rockety, rus,
We're not allowed to cuss,
But nevertheless
we must confess,
There's nothing the matter with us.

He—he—he's all right!
Who—who—who's all right?
He's all right!—Who's all right?
(Name of player)!

Give 'em the ax! the ax! the ax!
Give 'em the ax! the ax! the ax!
Give 'em the ax! give 'em the ax!—
Where?
Right in the neck! the neck! the neck!
Right in the neck! the neck! the neck!
Right in the neck! right in the neck!
—There!

The Locomotive

Rah! rah! rah! rah! (slowly)
Township High! Township High!
Rah! rah! rah! rah! (faster)
Township High! Township High!
Rah! rah! rah! rah! (very fast).
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ALUMNI GIVES FIRST LITERARY PROGRAM

DELPHIC SOCIETY ASSISTED BY
ALUMNI—DIVISIONS IN SOCIETIES MADE.

The Delphic Literary Society entered the race for the intellectual championship of the school by giving its first regular program Friday afternoon in the assembly hall.

Sometime ago the societies were both divided into a number of groups, the divisions being arranged so that each section would contain an equal amount of able material. These divisions have been numbered, and a chairman has been placed in charge of each one. Programs will be given by the divisions in their numerical order, and by the societies alternately.

The first division of the Delphic Society however, did not render its 1st. program. After the meeting was called to order by the president, Augusta Fike, and the minutes of the last meeting read by the secretary, Leon Sherman, and "Alumni" program was given. The numbers on the program were rendered by the Alumni of both societies, or by people who graduated before the present societies were established. The whole program was well rendered, and served, especially in the case of the new members of the societies to give the students an idea of what is expected of them.

This plan of seeking occasional contributions from the Alumni, in various branches of the school work, and in many of the school activities, also helps to bring graduates of C. T. H. S. into closer working contact with the school itself and with its present students.

The interesting program as given was as follows:

Recitation, Ethel Buckner; Extempore, Wendell Heaton; Recitation, Cordelia Smith; piano solo, Ruth Rickards; Extempore, Wallace Bradley; Recitation, Bess Shanklin.

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ness Manager.

There is sometimes a tendency among the rooters at a game to give way to a little of that unspornsmen-like yelling, commonly known as "hootin'." C. T. H. S. has up to this time luckily been free from all demonstrations of this sort. There has always been the good clean yelling of true sportsmen, which while enthusiastic enough, had yet a consideration in it for the opposing team.

A very noticeable example of what this consideration should mean might be taken from the University of Illinois. In the games there never a sound of hissing is heard. Any student who attempts to do anything of that sort is promptly subjected to the scorn of his fellow students.

Sometimes in the excitement of a close game, rooters do not realize what they are doing. Their excitement, however, should never be carried to such an extent that it will allow them to forget the respect due to the opposing team.

During last Friday night's basket ball game, Ray Root received a cut near his eye which necessitated the aid of a doctor. Dr. Gambill was called in and attended Ray's eye, taking a few stitches in it. He refused any pay, saying that he would donate that effort to the team. The students of C. T. H. S. wish to thank Dr. Gambill for his loyal kindness.

Of Course

Alden (airily)—I'm going to start a new electrical magazine.

Harry Watche going to call it?

Alden—Current events.

A PART OF MY AUTOBIOGRAPHY

My two years on the river were the happiest in my life. I can still hear, as in a dream, the water splashing on the hold, the roar of the engine, the dismal sound of the fog horns, or the three bells for low water. I can still see myself, a tiny waif, standing clad in overalls, on the top peak of the pilot-house looking for other boats.

No one bothered with me to see if my hair was combed or my face washed. Perhaps that was the principal reason for my happiness. No one ordered me to do anything, not even to eat. I was monarch of all I surveyed. My word was law to my little world, which consisted only of myself and the deck hands. Many times did I order myself to do certain things just to see if I would mind.

But the boat-hands, who were negroes, were my chief command. They loved me far more than anyone else; at that time. Often when I see a river I cannot drive away the picture of those strong, black fellows, crooning wierd melodies of plantation days, while I sat wide-eyed and listened or curled contentedly in a corner near by.

I very seldom approached the ladies' parlor. Once I went there, and seeing a piano in the corner, crawled into the top of it in order that I might see where the music came from. The ladies came in soon after and one of them decided to play a sonata of some sort, which quickly ended when I shouted suddenly:

"Got to ketch a chicken,

Got to ketch a chicken,

Got to ketch a chicken, chile,

Fo' I go."

As I said before, no one bothered me. I was too wild. If any of the beautifully clad ladies or immaculate gentlemen attempted to touch me, I promptly bit them. I seemed to think all civilized people were trying to take me away, which was very improbable, as I was never pretty and certainly not amiable.

Very often we stopped in large cities. The only one I remember at all is New Orleans. Here I saw the wharves covered with cotton, the ships going from the Gulf to the Atlantic and thence to the old world, and the easy-going Southern Colonels with their whiskey-jugs and their families, both being inseparable. I cannot recall any of the large buildings or beautiful parks, which, I am told, are very interesting. I never went far from the boat, fearing, it would go away and leave me to the mercy of the city.

One incident, however, will always be clearly stamped on my brain. The heat had plided swiftly and softly during the night into a small river town. The freight had been put on, the plank raised, and we were steaming down the river before I awoke. I heard the negroes whispering softly to each other and rolling their eyes toward heaven. "What am the trouble-!" I inquired carelessly, thinking that one of them had had a bad dream. "Come 'ere lil missy," softly spoke one negro. "See that!" He

GERMAN CLUB MEETS

The German Club met at the home of its president, Jean Fyke, Wednesday evening, October 21. The entire meeting was conducted in German. After the meeting had been called to order, and the secretary had read the minutes of the last meeting there followed a short business session. Then a program consisting of the following numbers was given:

German Song, James Armstrong; German Story, John Finch.

The remainder of the evening was devoted to the learning of several German songs, and then pretzels!

The next meeting will be held at the home of Florence Saxer, this evening.

Several new pieces of apparatus and a new sectional book-case with about fifty well selected books were received a few days ago for the night school for miners, which is being conducted by the Miners' and Mechanics' Institute of the University of Illinois.

Meetings of the school of instruction are held every Tuesday evening. At the second meeting Mr. H. E. Smith presided and gave a stereopticon lecture to demonstrate the causes of mine explosions. He referred to an experimental mine near Pittsburg, Pa., where experiments are tried from time to time. For some time past authorities have differed in regard to coal dust explosions but it has been proved conclusively in this mine that coal dust does not explode. After which he gave the men a short drill in Arithmetic, taking up the study of the square root.

pointed to a tiny rough box in the corner. "Twas put on heah las' night and no one done some wid it. It sure am a pity. Poor lil chile."

I looked into the box. There lay a tiny, golden-haired baby—dead. Something choked me, my eyes burned. I—who had never shed a tear in my life. "Glin her to me, Cass." I pleaded. "She am just like me. She's all alone."

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ROSETTAS

The Seniors held an important
meeting in Room 2 Wednesday after
School. At this time important dis-
coveries were made regarding the
material on hand for producing news-
bays, "Extry."

Mr. Guenther has accepted the po-
sition of coach for the second team.
The team expects to work hard and
give the members of the first team
some closely contested battles.

Myrtle Armstrong of Irvington, Ill-
inois, visited the school Tuesday.
Louise Bales '14 was back last
week renewing old acquaintances.

The Household Arts department has
recently added two new sewing ma-
chines to its equipment.

Mr. Tilden, representing Rand, Mc-
Nally & Co., and Mr. Morton of Ben-
jamin Sanborn Co., were high school
visitors Monday.

The Girl's Glee Club met last week
and elected its officers. Jessie Beaver
was elected president, and Grace Whit-
lock, secretary and treasurer.

The "Pest House" is again an es-
tablished terror. In order to avoid a
few hours in this institution, students
must get to school on time.

His Farewell Address

Mr. Trout (in History)—James,
what was Washington's Farewell Ad-
dress?

James—Heaven, Sir.

Love

One maid
Won maid
One made.

SCHOOL YELLS USED AT BASKET BALL GAMES

(Continued from page 1, col. 2.)

Township High! Township High!
Rrrraah!

The Seniors have recently added
their yell to the collection.

Seniors! rah!
Seniors! rah!
1915! !

Rah! rah! rah!
Will be graduate?
Well I guess!
S-e-n-i-o-r s

Bcomalacka! boomalacka!
Bow! wow! wow!
Chickalacka! Chickalacka!
Chow! chow! chow
Bcomalacka! Chickalacka!
Who—are—we?
Centralia High School!
Don't you see?

Stand 'em on their heads!
Stand 'em on their feet!
C. T. H. S! —
Can't be beat!

The Skyrocket.
S-s-s-s-s!
Boom!
—Ah!
(Whistle!)
—Team!

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A Sophomore knows not, and knows that he knows not.

A Junior knows but knows not that he knows.

A Senior knows and knows that he knows.

—Taken from the book of the departed Harold Westbrook.

"Loves Golden Star" or "Why is the Sun in Africa so warm?"—A serial by Geraldine Jerusha Jenkins.

CHAPTER ONE

A beautiful young maid with soulful eyes and a bucket of milk meets a cow. Being very brave she shouts wildly to the granite—saucepans in her mother's kitchen. Receiving no answer she moans wildly and comes home. (Continued in Our Next.)

Marguerite (In Oral English).—I will now tell you how to build a house. You must first lay the foundation. On this foundation you lay the boards. Lay them on the bias.

New Odors.

Bright Student.—The Harvester was a very brilliant man. He dug up many romantic herbs and sold them to ladies in the city.

Ray.—Why was he always getting into trouble?

Miss Mitchell.—O, genuises always get into trouble. That, Ray, is no sign you are a genuis.

1st Bright Senior.—Who was the first girl in the Bible?

2nd Bright Senior.—Why, Eve, of course.

1st Bright Senior.—You're mistaken; it was Jenny Sis.

Tell me not in joyous numbers, Things are what they might have been.

For Dwight's young mustache numbers,

Just nine hairs above the chin.

Teacher.—Will you please parse the sentence. "Yucatan is a City."

Student.—"Yucatan" is a proper noun. 1st person.—Icatan. 2nd person Yucatan 3rd person he, she, itecan. Plural 1st person.—Wecatan. 2nd person Yucatan 3rd person—they catan.

SPOOKS!

Here comes Hallowe'en, eerie and bleary:

But where's any fun if no one "gits skeerv-"

The ghosts and goblins lurk around, Like Indians gone, on their bunting ground.

The boys have ready their pumpkin shells,

And frighten the girls into fainting spells.

But look! right over the grave-yard there!

What is that sailing up through the air?

Look closer! Now — right over the brook,

Mercy gracious—it's a spook!
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C. T. H. S. DEFEATED AT HANDS OF BENTON

BASKET BALL TEAM DEFEATED BY BENTON BY NARROW MARGIN—FINAL SCORE 22-20.

The C. T. H. S. basket ball team met its first defeat Friday night at Benton, 22-20.

The game throughout was a clean, scientific exhibition of basket ball, being thrillingly interesting, as the teams were about evenly matched, it being nip and tuck all along. The variations in the score, first showing in favor of one team, and then, the other, showed the metal of which both squads were made, and kept the spectators in a continuous uproar. The comparatively small number of fouls called shows the clean game which both teams put up.

Benton started the ball rolling by beginning the scoring on a foul throw. Centralia quickly covered up this lead by two neat field goals, leaving Benton behind three points. From then on it was nip and tuck for lead, until the end of the half found Benton ahead by one point, 12-11.

The same kind of playing was kept up during the second half, the score at the end of the next twenty minutes of play being a tie, 20-20.

In a very short time after the ball was tossed up in center for the play-off, Adams, the fast Benton forward, by a long shot from the side lines, ended the game by a 22-20 score.

Tom Reid and Webster showed up well when it came to goal shooting, and Sherman at guard did some splendid work. Centralia feels that she has a good reason to be proud of her representatives, and since the work of Friday night, her faith in her players' ability has increased.

The official score and line-up was as follows:

Centralia	Benton
T. Reid	f. ... Walter Adams
R. Webster	f. ... Frank Davis
B. Root	c. ... Herman Kusch
O. Cruzen	f. g. ... Jesse Clover
T. Sherman	f. g. ... Roy McAdoo
Waggoner	Subs. ... Tim Cantrell
R. Root	Tillman Morgan

Goals thrown from the field: Reid, 4; Adams, 4; Webster, 2; Roy McAdoo, 3; Davis, 2; Sherman, 1. Foul goals thrown: Webster, 5; Adams, 4. One point awarded to Centralia. Referee, Tront. Timekeeper, R. Root. Scorer, E. Waggoner.

MISS MURRAY TELLS ABOUT FOOD VALUES

HOUSEHOLD SCIENCE INSTRUCTOR SPEAKS TO ASSEMBLY. THURSDAY MORNING.

In an interesting and easy manner, Miss Murray, the instructor in Household Arts, gave the school an instructive talk upon "Foods and their values," Thursday morning during opening exercises.

She began by saying that some day the idea of sickness would be something to be wondered at, people would so very seldom if ever, be affected by disease. In China, she went on to illustrate, each family hires a doctor to keep its members well. He receives his fee for doing this; when they are sick, the doctor receives no pay.

"People are learning more and more," said Miss Murray, "how typhoid and tuberculosis can be prevented, and some day these diseases are going to be annihilated altogether."

"But the way to keep well, is to look after the digestion and breathing. We must know what is the proper nourishment, and the proper amount of nourishment to be taken."

Miss Murray then went on to explain that Domestic Science teaches not only the proper ways to cook food, but also it is a study of foods—of their composition, their nutritive value, and when and in what amounts they should be served. In short, Domestic Science is a study of foods in order to learn how best to nourish the body.

Miss Murray explained that the body is a machine, and must have the right kind of fuels. Foods may be divided into five classes: proteins, meats and eggs; carbohydrates, potatoes, flour, sugar, cereals, etc; Minerals, fresh fruits and vegetables; fats, meats, oils, and butter; and water.

"We should not eat all meats or deserts," said Miss Murray. "The majority of women eat too much desert,—too much sugar, while men eat too much protein. We should eat plenty of fresh vegetables and fruits and drink plenty of water. The result of a wise selection of foods will be increased vitality, strong and healthy bodies, and long lives,—is it worth while?"

GOOD PROGRAM GIVEN BY THE IRIS SOCIETY

DIVISION ONE PRESENTS MOCK TRIAL WITH GREAT SUCCESS.

The first program given by the Iris Literary Society Monday morning proved to be a very interesting and entertaining one.

The program took the form of a mock trial, with all the necessary adjuncts—a stern, sober judge, two heated and positive attorneys, two meek and mild-faced clerks, one sleepy, gum-chewing clerk of the court, one handsome, unruly prisoner, one weeping, widowed mother, one non-committal sheriff, a startlingly matter-of-fact lot of witnesses, one indifferent member of the jury,—all necessary adjuncts to a mock trial.

The accusation was as follows: Tom Reid was charged with falling upon the basket ball with malice aforethought. The criminal was brought by the sheriff, Oral Cruzen, before the judge, Mr. Tubbs, followed by his loudly weeping mother, Beulah Davis. James Armstrong acted as counsel for the defense, and Antonia Fischbacha, as prosecuting attorney. The jury was composed of one juror, Lucille Eberts. One by one were the witnesses, Katherine Kell, Genevieve Ledford, Heppie Root, Ruby Smith, Anna Hadley, and Rebecca Jones sworn in by the court clerk, Temple Fike, and subjected to the rigidest cross-questioning upon a great variety of subjects, by the lawyers, to the continuous accompaniment of the weeping of the mother of the prisoner. The arguments of both sides were interrupted by frequent "I objects" from the opposing attorneys, interspersed with a great deal of frank comment from the talkative "disturber of peace," Aurora Quintin. Not the least share in the trial was that held by the meek, timid clerks, who followed their superiors around like woe-begone satellites.

Altogether, taken not only from the standpoint of entertainment, but of instruction as well, the program was a very successful one. Every participant in the affair is to be congratulated upon his or her share in the work.

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It is an established fact that before any great good can be accomplished, the need must first become apparent, and that C. T. H. S. needs a gymnasium in keeping with its growth has been made more apparent by the results of the Benton game chronicled in this issue.

The present C. T. H. S. gym is not meeting the needs of our school. The only use we have made of it is for basket ball, and on account of its low ceiling it has been dubbed by visiting teams, "the cellar." Had we a suitable building on the campus, it could be used not altogether for athletics, but for class plays, commencement exercises, and literary society entertainments. Were the building large enough it could be rented very advantageously. Moreover, we would have no more basket ball teams, handicapped by practicing with a low ceiling.

Our school is growing, not only in number, but also in the scope of its usefulness. Let us not be cramped for the room in which to demonstrate that growth.

A LITTLE TOO MUCH

A rather stout high school girl fell down the other day. Seeing a young man laughing near by, she said, angrily:—If you were half the man you ought to be you would help me up.

He retorted—If you were half the girl you are, I would.

"CLEANED OUT"

"C'mon you Scale Buster," hissed Bones, "It's time to be going. Don't stop to cry because you can't say good-by. And go easy;—if you aren't careful there will be an earth quake around this beautiful city." Indicating with a sweep of his hand three saloons, a general store, post-office and railroad station together with several small houses.

Bones set off at a dog trot across the prairie to a clump of trees along the river, where he had left his horse. He was closely followed by "Fatty" who was puffing furiously, and if there was not much danger of his causing an earthquake, it looked for a moment as if he would cause a cyclone.

They quickly scrambled into their saddles, and set out as fast as they could go toward Sardine Junction. After going several miles and seeing no signs of pursuit they slowed to a trot.

"Well by all the little star fish in Greasy Creek," gasped the bartender of "The First and Last Chance." "Where's my juice? I only bin gone fifteen minutes and someone's cleaned out the whole shootin' match." (Here he made a few remarks not writable.) Ike Watson hearing the fuss came in and was about to order a drink when he noticed the absence of the customary row of bottles. "What's the matter, Bill? Where's your water?" (A few more unprintable remarks to the effect that he didn't know and that he would like to lynch the fellow that did it, and that such as this was carrying a thing too far.) "I'm willing to stand some gaff, but this is too much!" And he again resorted to profanity.

Just then the proprietor of "The First and Last Chance," over on the other side of the tracks stormed in accompanied by Dutchy Stang of the Midway.

Dutchy was feeling, to put it mildly, very sore. "You cleaned out too Bill!" he asked the proprietor of "The First and Last Chance!"

More profanity from Bill, to the effect that he was, and would like to know if Dutchy and Jim of "The First and Last" was cleaned out too.

"Yep," said Jim.
"Ya," snorted Dutchy. "Dat was a very clever trick. Ya. I would like to pat the fellows vot did it, on der bean with a telephone pole, by gum. Dem—"

"Aw shut un. They're gone now. Lets count guns and see if we can't find who did it. How'd it come that all three of you were out at the same time?"

"Why," (more profanity from Jim). "We all got a letter from the Schwartz Brewing Co. to meet a representative of theirs over at the station to have a talk about getting cheaper rates by buying in quantities. You know the 6:15 train stops here for about fifteen minutes to get water and wait for the south bound limited. Well, we all locked up and went over and talked about ten minutes and when we came back we found ourselves cleaned out. Oh," he spluttered, "if I could only get my mitts on the guys that done this. All the boys in

town, and not a drop of the greatest thirst alleviation this side of the water bucket." And he started off again.

"Well let's see. Who is here?"
The entire population of Sardine Junction and the neighboring country was in town. They tried to figure out who had been there in the afternoon and was not there now.

Suddenly Ike Watson let out a whoop that could be heard a mile on a still night. "It's Fatty and Bones," he yelled. "C'mon boys we'll chase them to Arizona!"

The entire population poured out of "The First and Last." Those who had horses quickly mounted and set off for the river. Others started off in an opposite direction, but meeting several people coming to town, they learned that Fatty and Bones had not been that way.

"C'mon," said Bill, "We'll follow the other bunch."

(To be Continued.)

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ROSETTAS

The German Club meeting which was postponed last week, will meet at the home of Florence Saxer tonight. The Cenica Camp met at the home of Jean Fyke Thursday.

The Navajo Camp had a ceremonial meeting at the home of Hilda Banks.

Pictures of the Northwestern Gymnasium is now posted in the lower corridor. There are views of both the interior and exterior of the gymnasium, which is one of the best in the country.

A fireless cooker is a new addition to the equipment of the Household Science Department.

Barbara Noller is back in school after an absence of several days, due to illness.

Gladys Heaton has had to quit school on account of the illness of her mother.

Percy Loomis was unable to play in the game Friday on account of illness. Neva Poston has entered school. She has been attending the Effingham High School.

Mr. Trout passed his 21st (?) milestone Thursday, thereby causing great excitement among the female contingent.

Paul Trinwith and Clifford Kern, '14, came out to look over familiar ground Friday.

Wise Soph—I saw the grandest production of "Lewis, The Cross Eye."

Small Fresh—Louis, the what?

Wise Soph—Here's the program; you can see for yourself—"Louis XI."

Nobody home except Robinson Crusoe and he is going to leave Friday.

The button on a Freshman's cap

Is not a badge of sin

But just to take the button off

Keeps seniors buttin' in.

—Judge.

I want to be a Senior and with the Seniors stand

A fountain pen behind my ear,

And a note book in my hand.

I wouldn't be a President, I wouldn't be a King.

I wouldn't be a millionaire for all that wealth would bring.

I wouldn't be an angel, for angels have to sing,—

I'd rather be a Senior and never do a thing.

There are meters iambic

And meters trochaic.

There are meters in musical tone,

But the meter

That's sweeter,

And neater,

Completer

Is to meet'er.

In the moonlight alone.

—Ex.

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Friday—Mary Fuller in "Dolly of the Dailies," Series No. 9.

Saturday, Nov. 14.—Gladys Hulette in "The Poisoned Bit," in two reels, a good drama.

Monday, Nov. 16.—"The Trey o' Hearts," in two parts, episode No. 2, entitled "The Mock Rose."

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SQUIBLET'S

Teacher—Concurrents means when two objects run along beside each other.

Student—Gladys and Percy are continually concurrent, aren't they?

Miss Mitchell—Some adjectives are formed from nouns, such as hazardous, full of hazard, and dangerous, full of danger. Can anyone suggest another?

Small fat Freshman—Pious, full of pie.

Don'ts For Freshmen.

Don't ask for an elevator—walk.

Don't question the janitor.

Don't show disrespect to upper classmen.

Don't look at a girl twice; she might think you brazen.

Don't cut across the campus.

Don't buy squeaky shoes.

Don't be conversationally inclined in the Assembly Hall.

Don't sing too loud in chapel.

Don't get a goose egg.

Don't worry about your neighbor at school being lonesome.

Don't be a freshman always.

All things come to him who waits,

But here's a rule that's slicker;

The man who goes for what he wants

Will get it much the quicker.

—Ex.

Some Horse.

Jessie—The horse winds itself around the drum when moving a house!

While a Seattle physician was inspecting the insane asylum at Etellacum, an inmate approached him and said: "I beg your pardon, Sir but have you a piece of toast?" "No," replied the doctor in surprise, "but I can get you a piece if you want it badly!" "Oh, I wish you would," pleaded the inmate. "I'm a poached egg and I want to sit down!"

—Ex.

What Were Oral and Mary Belle Doing?

Mr. Trout—Mary Belle and Oral. I wish you would look here. I know the Bible says, "Little children should love one another," but this is a different case!

ALUMNI NOTES.

Ruth Richards '14. is spending a few days in St. Louis with relatives.

Pauline Dardis '14. and Eva Schroeder '11. returned Thursday from a two weeks' visit with friends in St. Louis.

Clifford Kern '14. has become a regular bi-weekly visitor at school.

Jay Reichenbach '14. will not return to the University of Illinois in '11 next semester on account of his health.

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NASHVILLE EVENS UP PAST DEFEATS, 40-20

**C. T. H. S. LOSES RETURN GAME
TO NASHVILLE BY DOUBLED
SCORE—A FAST GAME.**

In a game featured by fast teamwork and excellent goal shooting, C. T. H. S. was defeated by the big Nashville representatives on their home floor Friday by the unusual score, 40-20. This one-sided score was brought about in the first half when by some clever teamwork and neat passing the Nashville bunch netted some lucky baskets from all parts of the field, resulting at the end of the half in a total of 25 points to Centralia's 9.

The game started with both teams on the alert, each eager and anxious for every chance. Nashville played a strong game, characterized by scientific passing, and C. T. H. S. on the defensive from the start, played with the tenacity and never-give-up spirit which has always been a factor in winning so many games. Nashville's advantage in practicing with a high ceiling was again brought to the fore, and they ably demonstrated their ability to shoot goals by putting the ball in the basket from all parts of the field.

Nolte of Nashville starred in field goal shooting, having six field goals to his credit. Loomis and B. Root of Centralia starred for the home team.

The losing of this game to Nashville puts the teams on an equal basis, Nashville having lost to C. T. H. S. several weeks ago on the local floor, 33-22.

The official score and lineup for the game is as follows:

Centralia	Nashville
P. Loomis	lf
T. Reid	r f
B. Root	c
O. Cruzen	l g
L. Sherman	r g
R. Webster	subs
E. Waggoner .....	.....
R. Root .....	.....

Field goals thrown: Nolte, 6; Seyler, 4; Schroeder 4; B. Root, 2; Loomis, 2; Reid, 1; Watts, 1. Foul goals thrown: Loomis, 10; Hilderbrand, 8. Umpire, Trout, C. Keller, timekeeper. Scorer, E. Waggoner.

NOTICE.

There will be no school on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week on account of the Teachers' Conference which the faculty have to attend at Champaign.

SEVERAL GAMES PLAYED ON THE LOCAL FLOOR

**SECOND TEAM PLAYS SANDOVAL
AND WHIPS THIRD TEAM—
JUNIORS BEAT SENIORS.**

Second Team Swamps Sandoval, 25-12.

Of the several basket ball games played on the local floor Friday evening, the main contest was that between the C. T. H. S. second team and Sandoval, when the home boys defeated Sandoval, 25-12.

The game was featured by the excellent passing and field work of the second team, which put them far in the lead from the first, the first half ending 12-8 in their favor.

The line-up for this game follows:

Centralia	Sandoval
F. Boyle	rf
G. Kohl	lf
H. Stout	c
B. Van Patten	lg
D. Doolin	rg
.....	Robinson
.....	Gaylord
.....	Sherman
.....	Crabster
.....	Hammond

Juniors Defeat Seniors.

In one of the best girls' games ever played on the local floor the Junior girls beat the Seniors down to a blank score, defeating them 8-0. The game was featured by some fast plays and many spirited tussles, and was very interesting throughout.

Third Team Loses.

Not only did the second team show its ability in defeating Sandoval, but for the second time this year they routed the third team, this time by a 20-13 score. The game was hotly contested throughout, some of the excellent results of Mr. Guenther's coaching being brought out by the fast playing. A decided improvement in the playing of both teams was shown, and the third team has not yet given up the hope of being able to defeat their rivals.

BASKET BALL BENEFIT

WAS VERY SUCCESSFUL

The basket ball benefit which was given at the Pittenger Grand Thursday evening proved to be a decided success. From the time when it was announced that the managers of this popular theater had again come to the fore in helping out the team, the students have worked hard selling tickets, and have cleared a neat sum, which will go toward defraying the expenses of the team.

The students of C. T. H. S. as well as the basket ball team, wish to heartily thank the managers of the Pittenger Grand for their loyal support of the team.

WAR PROGRAM GIVEN BY DELPHIC SOCIETY

**COUNTRIES AT WAR REPRESENT-
ED—RECORDS PLAYED ON VIC-
TROLA—U. S. ON HAND.**

The second program of the Delphic Society was given in the Assembly Hall Tuesday morning. Choosing a subject which is at present much in the minds of everyone, Division I presented a "War Program."

The seven countries taking the most active part in the war were represented by seven girls, each dressed in the fashion of her country, and carrying its flag. Sula Brown represented Japan; Goldie Bryant, England; Myrtle Miller, France; Nelpha Boles, Russia; Reba Eberts, Austria; Bess Johnson, Turkey.

Each girl gave a little talk in behalf of her country, including in it the reasons for that particular nation's being at war, something about its army and about its resources. At the end of each speech, records illustrating the typical music of the country, were played on the victrola.

Gerold Kohl, representing the United States, told about the part she has played in the war, and the Christmas Ship, which, through the efforts of Lillian Bell and the generosity of the people of the United States, set sail for Europe November 10. After his speech "That International Rag" and "My Own United States," were played on the victrola.

This part of the program was followed by a resume of the war up to date by Percy Loomis. Helen Hadley recited "The Battle of Waterloo," and Florence Friedenstein sang "The U. S. A. for Mine."

The members of both societies were glad of the opportunity of learning more about the war trouble in Europe and Division I is to be congratulated upon its successful program.

THE FIRST HALF OF

NASHVILLE GAME

The onslaught was terrific. Tommy was like a Reid shaken by the wind; Byron seemed Rooted to the Spot; while Oral went Cruzen all over the floor, having fallen over a Root in his vain attempt to capture the ball. Then when Bobby, the unabridged Webster, got put in, Percy tried to Loomis up shouting, "On! Sherman, on!" And the few Centralia rooters tried with trembling voices to encourage the boys, but the yells were mistaken for one of Waggoner's (Wagner's) symphonies. And all the time Coach Trout acted just like a fish out of water!

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ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

The Thanksgiving holidays which are just at our door will bring with them the home-coming of our Alumni, who are representing C. T. H. S. in so many different colleges and universities, and with them the renewal of old friendships and acquaintances. No matter how many miles or how many years separate them from old C. T. H. S., there is always a something which binds them to her, and draws them back on Thanksgiving and Christmas. Loyalty to our school and love for her, on the one side, and pride and joy in the success of each and every alumnus on the part of C. T. H. S., will always characterize the relations between our school and her graduates.

The students of C. T. H. S. extend a hearty welcome and are eagerly awaiting the arrival of "Our Alumni."

PROGRESSIVES WIN IN A HEATED DEBATE

In a heated debate last Thursday on the question, "Resolved, That the Progressive party deserves the support of the people of the United States," the judges rendered their decision in favor of the affirmative side, which was composed of Jennie Grace Terpinitz, Edith Robertson, May Wallace and Hallie Root. The negative team was made up of Oral Cruzen, Sylvia Watts, Catherine Miller and Leon Sherman. Several spirited and fiery speeches were given, Jennie Grace giving an especially good speech, and Edith coming in strong on rebuttal.

"CLEANED OUT."

(Continued.)

Fatty and Bones pulled up in front of the only saloon in Rayville.

"Hi, Sam, bring us a bottle, and hurry. We ain't got no time to waste. Here y' are; say! better get ready for a crowd. There's a big one comin' from Sardines, twenty or thirty. Put out all you got. So long. We ain't bin here, you know." Then they set out by a roundabout route for Sardine Junction.

Sardine's population came racing into Rayville. It dismounted and by mutual consent sought the bar of the "Only." Sam had acted on the tip given by Fatty and Bones. He had a fine display on.

"Ain't seen nothin' of Fatty, have you?" asked Ike. "Fatty and Bones?" "Why, no, I ain't," answered Sam. "Why?"

"O, jest 'cause," answered Ike. And then he told how Sardine Junction had been cleaned out.

Several hours later the bunch set out for Sardine. All had quenched their thirst and were feeling pretty good.

"That was a very good trick, anyhow," one exclaimed. "How'd they do it so quick? And where is the stuff?"

Bill dropped off his horse. "C'mon in fellows and have a drink," he invited. "Thanks, we will. Let's go in and talk it over," said one of the bunch. "Too bad we ain't got nothin' but water." And the bunch went in.

Profanity from Bill.

Silence from Jim.

"Gott!" from Dutchy.

"Well, I'll be ——" from the crowd. For there on the counter was as good a row of bottles as ever stood in a saloon.

"Let's go over to Jim's," someone yelled. And again the population of Sardine poured out of the "First and Last."

The same sight met them at Jim's and at Dutchy's. Not a bottle missing at either place.

"Boys," said Ike. "We won't do nothin' to Fatty and Bones. No, sir. Anyone that could carry out a trick like that don't deserve no punishment. He ought to be President of the United States. Boys, we ain't going to do nothin' to these fellows, are we?" "No," yelled the bunch. "Three cheers for Fatty and Bones, the brainiest guys in Clinton County!"

CHARLES KINNANE, '16.

Heard in Oral English.

- 1—Checkers is an indoor game.
- 2—Jump as often as you can,—ther skip.
- 3—Love stands for nothing — in tennis.
- 4—Hugging is against the rules in this High School.

Correct Translation.

First Small Soph: It says in the dictionary that a Sophomore is half wise and half foolish. I wonder which half is foolish.

Second Small Soph: Why, the upper half, of course.

GERMAN CLUB.

The third meeting of the German Club was held Monday evening at the home of Florence Saxer. A German program was rendered, as follows:

"Die Wacht am Rhein," the Club. Vocal solo, Jennie Grace Terpinitz. Debate, "Resolved, That the Seniors taking German I will receive as much benefit from membership in the club as will the club itself." Leon Sherman and Alden Perrine upheld the affirmative and Florence Gott and Florence Saxer defended the negative. As the affirmative team was given the decision by the judges, it was decided to allow the Seniors to become regular members of the club.

The last number was a vocal trio by Jessie Beaver, Antonia Fischbach and James Armstrong.

"One Wonderful Night!"

"The Winter Garden Girl" met "Lad-die"
"Down by the Old Mill Stream;"
"Alexander's Ragtime Band" was playing
"Life's One Beautiful Dream."

"Last Night Was the End of the World," he said,
And "I want You to Know That I'm True."

Quickly she answered, "Please Leave Me Alone,"
"I Never Was Meant For You."

Then "Along Came Ruth," "At the Devil's Ball,"
And "Billy" was heard to moan
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The students are taking more interest in the literary society work this year than ever. Four new members were received in the Iris Society Thursday.

The Juniors are appearing in their new purple sweaters with a large, white "C" on them.

Both the Beginning and Advanced Household Arts classes have organized clubs for the purpose of learning fancy work and to make other useful things. The first meeting of the Beginning class was held at the home of Miss Pauline Sheppard Friday evening.

The Nakoma Camp held its second ceremonial meeting at the home of its guardian, Miss Fuller, Monday evening. Eight girls will get rings at the next ceremonial meeting. The camp went on a hike to Joliff Bridge Saturday.

Ralph Pixley and Bess James visited the Oral English Class Thursday, and heard the weekly debate.

Rowena Kohl of University of Illinois has been placed by the president on the Freshman color committee.

Antonia Fischbacha and Madge Tucker of C. T. H. S., and several post-graduates, Ralph Pixley, '14, Mabel Murfin, '14, and Ralph Birge, '14, were on the program at the Baptist church last Wednesday evening at the annual chrysanthemum show.

About twelve girls of the Cenhica Camp and their guardian, Miss Mitchell, hiked to Odin Saturday. They enjoyed a luncheon given in their honor by Miss Emma Pope. The girls returned on the six o'clock train.

Curtiss Grissom went to Champaign Saturday, attending "Home Coming" at the University of Illinois, and witnessed the Illinois-Chicago football game.

HOME COMING AT ILLINOIS U.

In view of the interest which "Home Coming" week at the University of Illinois has always excited among many students of C. T. H. S., it might be well for the benefit of those students who are not acquainted with "Home Coming" to tell a little of the history of this long-heralded event.

"Home Coming" is not an ancient institution at the University, dating back only as far as 1910. In that year a plan was set afoot by the Senior society, and Elmer Ekblau, '10, who is now on an expedition to the North Pole, was made chairman of the first "Home Coming" committee, the purpose of this committee being to forward the "Home Coming" movement.

From that time up to the present, "Home Coming" has been an annual event. It is always placed the week of Illinois' biggest football game, and covers a period of two days. The Hobo Band, which is a Senior institution, the Freshman-Sophomore class scrap, the class championship football game, and the Mask and Bauble fall play are all scheduled for these two days.

It might be interesting for C. T. H. S. students to know that Sherman, an older brother of Leon Sherman of C. T. H. S., is the leader of the Hobo Band this year.

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Friday, Nov. 20—"The Speck on the Wall," with Kathlyn Williams, in two reels.

Saturday, Nov. 21—Marc McDermott in "The Long Way," in two parts. Can you beat this week's program?

Monday, Nov. 23—Eplside No. 9 of "The Trey o'Hearts," also Francis X. Bushman in a good drama. Watch for "The Master Key."

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Miss Fuller: What causes earthquakes?

Young Freshie: Earthquakes are always caused by thunderbolts!

Teacher: What is granite used for?
Freshie: Granite is used to make saucepans with!

Prohibition.

Mr. Trout: What is the communion of the Lord's Supper?
Beulah: It's bread and wine—only 'tain't wine, it's grape juice.

Chief Use.

Miss Brunton: What is amber used for?

Bright Senior: To make pipe stems and other ornaments!

Early Training.

Teacher: In Germany they are trying to make men marry before they go to war. What do you think is the reason?

Louis: Why, to make them fight harder.

Faust Gilpin and "Faust."

Miss Erbes: Do you all know "Faust"?

Students (in chorus): Yes, ma'am.
Miss E.: What was it about?
Students (as before): It was all about the Assembly Hall last year!

Just let Benton and Nashville come on—they can't give us any of their highballs in our cellar, for it's against our ceilings.

Quite True.

Miss M. (to budding author)—I suppose you adopt a special diet when you are writing.

Budding author—Certainly, I eat oatmeal when I am writing a serial story.

Mr. Tubbs—Harold, what effect does the moon have on the tide?

Harold—None, sir. It only effects the untied.

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THE SPRING

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GAME AT MARION IS VICTORY FOR C. T. H. S.

FIRST HALF OF GAME SLOW, 12-7;
MARION RALLIES IN SECOND
HALF—FINAL SCORE 22-19.

In a clean, interesting game on Marion's home floor, the C. T. H. S. basket ball team defeated Marion Saturday night by a score of 22-19. The game was one of the cleanest exhibitions of basket ball seen this year, and both teams deserve credit for putting up a good fight. The C. T. H. S. boys did some good work, showing by far the best passing they have done this year.

The game started out slowly and easily. After a few seconds of play C. T. H. S. netted the first field goal by a neat throw. From that time until the end of the game the Cardinal and White defenders held the lead, and at no time during the first half was there danger of that lead being overcome. The half ended with the score 12-7.

Second Half.

The second half started out much as the first had done, with Marion playing on the defensive and C. T. H. S. taking the lead in goal shooting. After about ten minutes of play, however, with the score standing 18-11 in favor of C. T. H. S., the Marion boys rallied and before Centralia could see what was happening by a succession of pretty plays, they had netted three baskets, making the score 18-17. From then on the playing was fast and furious, until the final blowing of the whistle, making the game Centralia's by three points.

COMMENT.

The game, though by no means doubtful until at the last, was an interesting game throughout. Marion's fine rally showed pluck and a spirit that deserved to win. Loomis played a splendid all-round game, starring

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VANDALIA DEFEATED BY SECOND TEAM

SECOND TEAM DEFEATS VANDALIA ON HOME FLOOR BY ONE-SIDED SCORE, 40-21.

The second team won its first out-of-town game Saturday night when the Vandalia team was defeated on its home floor by the one-sided score, 40-21.

Centralia started off with a rush, and after about a minute of play H. Boyle put the ball in the basket for a neat field goal. After some very pretty and spirited playing, during which both sides exhibited some very good passing and teamwork, the first half ended with the score a tie, 14-14.

In the second half each team returned to the game with the determination to win, but the superior training and endurance of the Centralia boys soon put them far in the lead, they making 26 points this half to Vandalia's 7 tallies. When the whistle blew the score stood 40-21 in favor of C. T. H. S.

Harlon Boyle was the individual star, doing some splendid work in shooting goals, making 24 out of 40 points for Centralia. Keller also played a good game, placing 6 baskets.

The boys report a good floor with the exception that it was a little slippery. This was Vandalia's first game and her team put up a good fight for so early in the season.

Following is the lineup for the game:

Centralia	Vandalia
C. Keller	rf..... Leever
H. Boyle	lf..... Bradley
R. Root	c..... Hausman
C. Doolen	rg..... Smith
C. Kern	lg..... McElheney

Goals thrown from the field—Boyle 10, Keller 6, Hausman 5, Leever 3, Root 2.

Goals thrown from fouls called —

Boyle 4, Hausman 3.

SUCCESSFUL MEETING OF TEACHERS HELD

TEACHERS MEET AT CHAMPAIGN;
MANY IMPORTANT PROBLEMS
DISCUSSED—MANY PRESENT.

The meeting of the Illinois high school teachers held at Champaign last week proved to be a most successful and profitable one. Several instructive papers were read and many interesting talks were given.

The School Board and Superintendents' Association held a joint session Wednesday and Thursday, at which representatives from many different schools were present. J. F. Babbitt read a paper on "School Costs." "School costs" included the cost of janitor service, the amount spent on library books, the cost of fuel, light, etc., and the salaries of the instructors in different subjects, such as English and Latin. His figures were based on information obtained from the high schools east of the Rocky Mountains and north of the Ohio River, and from which he made a comparison of the expenses of the high schools with the purpose in view of striking a medium of expense. All school costs should be reduced to the same basis. Things have been run too loosely in the past; the schools are 25 years behind the business world.

Friday morning sectional meetings were held, where the teachers of different groups of study met together. In the afternoon a meeting of the Illinois High School Athletic Association was held.

In the discussion of "Standards of Arithmetic" Saturday morning it was argued that there is a medium line of efficiency which should be attained. It is not necessary for a pupil to be extremely proficient. An eighth grade pupil should have an accuracy of 94 per cent; he should not be promoted until he has attained that standard, but when he has, he should be allowed to go ahead. Some system will be devised so that the pupil can account for his own work; it will be merely a matter of accuracy. This plan could be followed out also in spelling, penmanship, and to some extent in English composition. A plan of this sort has been under consideration in C. T. H. S. since the opening of school this year and may be adopted in some form in a short time.

BASKET BALL
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LITERARY

"Memories."

"Memories—" Faith's voice trailed softly into a whisper, and her eyes became dreamily sweet.

"Memories! memories! And what, may I ask, are memories, anyway?" Henderson's voice broke sharply into her reverie.

"Oooh! memories," answered Faith softly, "memories are 'things of the long ago'."

"Then how,—how, I say,—can a young thing like you,"—his voice softened—"like you, I say, know anything about these 'things of the long ago'; these memories?"

"Mr. Henderson," Faith searched his face, "did you ever have any memories,—any happy memories, I mean?"

Henderson's laugh was harsh and bitter. "Happy memories,—happy ones,—me? Disappointed ones, yes; bitter ones, yes; hated and hating ones, yes; but happy ones,—happy memories,—" he laughed again, that cruel, cold little laugh,—"never!"

"Then," Faith shook her head sadly, "then you don't know what the Wise Woman said to Elda—you don't know—shall I tell you?"

(To be continued next week.)

Jack Marlett's and Joe Parsley's Turkey.

One day in June when Jack Marlett and Joe Parsley were on their way home from a fishing trip, they found a young turkey gobbler in the road. It seemed to be lost, for there was no farmhouse near, neither was there any other fowl of its kind about, so they took it home and put it in Marlett's shed, which was built close by the railroad track. Both boys cleaned the turkey and both of them cared for it and fed it.

Fall came. The leaves on the trees were tinted with red, yellow and brown. Persimmons were ripe and the air had a crisp, cold sting in it. All nature pointed to the fact that Thanksgiving was near at hand.

So the question arose with Jack and Joe, which of them should kill the gobbler. They had long since decided that the turkey should be cooked at the home of one of the boys, and that the other should be his guest. At first the plan seemed all right, but soon a difficulty arose, for both boys wanted the privilege of killing it and having it cooked and served at his home.

The day before Thanksgiving came, and still the boys hadn't decided who should cook and kill the turkey. So together Jack and Joe took it from the shed to kill it, but in some mysterious way it managed to escape from its captors. Spreading its glorious wings, it flew to the very top of the shed, and surveyed its frantic keepers haughtily from its superior position.

The boys, dismayed but by no means passive, attempted to climb to the top of the shed, but just as Joe's curly head peeped over one side, Mr. Turkey with a half-audible chuckle at his cunning,

sailed off thru the air and onto a box car of a freight train that was passing by. With eyes filled with tears and voices at once threatening and pleading, the boys ran after the fast-disappearing train, while the turkey calmly ignored them as he passed forever from their sight.

Helen Jones '17.

What Happened at Betty's House on Thanksgiving.

"Betty," piped the shrill voice of Miss Lavinia Sterns, "come here I want to see you. What was that I heard you talking about this evening to that little Sadie Jones?"

"N-n-nothing, only she wanted me to come to her party Thanksgiving night and I wanted to go. Please, may I go, just this once?"

"Why, Betty Simpson, I am surprised that you would even wish to go to a party! Haven't I told you that parties were no fit place for children like you? Here, finish piecing this quilt and don't let me hear of your wanting to go out on Thanksgiving evening."

With this Miss Lavinia sailed out of the room and left poor Betty alone to nurse her badly hurt feelings. Try as she would, she could not keep back the tears that constantly filled her soft, dark eyes. Pushing aside her chestnut curls, she began piecing the quilt. But this was hard work for Betty as she could not help thinking of the good times she was to miss. She knew if only her mother and father were there, they would even let her have a party of her own. She could not remember her father and mother and when she asked Miss Lavinia about them she was given a curt nod and told to go about her business.

She finished the quilt and ate her supper in silence. That night she went to bed feeling very sad for now she had nothing to look forward to on Thanksgiving but a dreary evening at home.

At last Thanksgiving came. Betty all unaware of what the night was to bring her, took up her monotonous task of piecing a quilt. Finally her fingers began to work more slowly and at last her head drooped and her eyes closed. There she was giving a Thanksgiving party and everything was beautiful, and everyone was happy. She stood in the midst of a crowd of happy children. At her right stood a gravely, kind gentleman who called himself her father, and a beautiful woman who seemed to be her mother.

Just then she felt herself being gently shaken. She opened her eyes and rubbed them drowsily. Then she sat up, disappointedly; her lovely party was only a dream.

A Ghost Story.

It was a long, dark, narrow street; the trees met overhead, forming a dark gloomy arch; the rain fell in a dripping patter. A vivid flash of lightning and a loud clap of thunder now and then caused my chum and me to seek a shelter of some sort.

The dark seemed almost impenetrable to the eye. A louder peal of thunder, more lightning and a steady down-pour of rain drove us to the shelter of a porch. We did not notice at first

that the house was empty; after a while, however, we found that the windows were boarded shut.

The rain fell faster and faster, and it seemed to be turning cold. Suddenly we heard a low moan. I thought it was the wind, or perhaps we imagined it. But there it was again! This time the noise came louder,—a low, hollow moan, a shrill shriek, a long-drawn whine. I felt as though there was a drop of icy cold water slowly trickling down my spine. My tongue seemed to stick to the roof of my mouth.

I felt the hand of my friend, cold as ice, around my wrist. Still with fright, fearful of ghosts and everything else, we ran from the porch into the driving rain. Strange, fanciful forms flittered back and forth in front of us. We expected a goblin to bounce out from behind every tree and devour us.

Finally we reached home. Wet from the rain and shivering from the fright we had gotten, we were so miserable that we went to bed immediately.

The next day as Ruth and I passed the vacant house I dared her to go up on the porch and open the door. She refused, but I was so curious that I went alone. I laid my hand on the knob and to my surprise found the door to be unlocked. As I opened it, out bounded a small, brown, curly-haired dog, with the same low moan and whine that had frightened me out of a year's growth.

—RAE MCKITTRICK, '17.

NOTE OF APPRECIATION.

"The Sphinx" wishes to express its hearty appreciation of the work done by Wilson Storer in co-operation with the Business Manager, in obtaining ads for this week's edition of the paper. No matter how cold or disagreeable it was, Wilson was always ready and glad to help, and his clear business head and wise perseverance have brought in unlooked-for results. It is this willingness to work, and loyalty to the school which every student should have, and which if only realized, would make "The Sphinx" the best high school paper ever published.

GAME AT MARION IS VICTORY FOR C. T. H. S.

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in the field and in goal shooting, putting the ball in the basket both from the side lines and beneath the basket. B. Root also played a good game. Although playing under difficulties and being unable on account of a bad knee to follow his man around in his usual manner, Byron proved to be the star goal shooter of the game, having five field goals to his credit.

The lineup for the game was as follows:

Centralia	Marion
Loomis	Dodd
Reid	Hill
B. Root	Miller
Cruzen	Hall
Sherman	Aikman
Subs—Centralia,	Waggoner, Webster; Marion, Goddard, Bracy.

Goals thrown from the field—Root 5, Miller 4, Loomis 3, Dodd 3, Reid 1, Hill 1.

Goals thrown from fouls called—Loomis 4, Hill 2, Dodd 1.

Referee, Trout; umpire Cox.

PROPHECY, CLASS '17

The Egyptian Baltazar Markandus possesses a wonderful telescope. Looking through it one can plainly see the future. Now, I am on very good terms of friendship with Markandus, and with a little coaxing he allows me to use it frequently.

As I take the telescope I wonder what Rita Auburn's future will be. The room which I see is furnished in white. On a small white bed a little girl is lying in bandages. Rita is bending over her, deftly binding her arm in antiseptic bandages. So Rita is a nurse. When I think of her quiet nature I am sure she is well suited for the work.

The scene is changed. I see a studio hung with pictures. A few unfinished canvases are standing around the room. In front of the easel stands Dorothy Bostwick. She is painting a beautiful winter scene. Before I have time to further examine the room, it fades from sight.

Heavy velvet curtains are drawn aside and Lucille Eberts steps forth arrayed in fashion's latest finery. She has a cloak of some soft material around her shoulders; it falls slowly to the floor to show a beautiful lacy evening gown. I have just time to peep at the smooth satin slippers and note the height of the heel, before the curtain is drawn again.

Dorothy Burr is coming down a flight of steps; she is dressed for motor-touring. She walks defiantly to the Buick roadster; in a minute she is seated and has the throttle open. A brown streak flies by and she is gone.

Lela Featherling is sitting at a large table writing. Papers, pens and blotter ornaments the table. On the paper before her is written an ode to C. T. H. S. I haven't time to read even the first line before the scene is changed.

In the next scene is a school room; Margaret Ferry is the teacher. Some one is reciting Portia's speech on "Mercy," which sounds very familiar.

The scene following is of a very different nature. The crowd is pushing and jamming. One young woman in brown looks very much harassed by the noise. She is carrying a traveling bag; evidently she is a traveler. As she comes nearer I recognize Mable Groatley.

The next scene is also of the street but a much more quiet one. It is on a beautiful boulevard. A nurse and a small child are the only ones on the street. They are coming toward me, and I recognize Helen Hadley.

As Minnie Hansemann comes to my mind I see a wide cement walk leading to a low, wide building. On either side of the door there are low, roomy porches. Above the entrance is the inscription, "Pinewood School." The door opens and about a dozen girls from twelve to fourteen years old come out dressed for walking. Later a somber woman, dressed in gray, joins the girls. I immediately recognize Minnie.

The next picture is very different from the last. I see an aeroplane high in the air. It is going very smoothly and I see the outlines of two other machines. Suddenly the first one lunges forward and falls downward a

few feet; then it goes on in its course. I believe I am watching a race, when suddenly I see a solid mass of shouting people. I think the race is drawing to a close. The first aeroplane is still in the lead; it sweeps down to the ground in the open like a whirlwind. I turn my telescope to the machine to see the victorious aviator. I catch my breath when I see Ede Hedger at the wheel.

The following scene is very restful to the eye. As far as one can see there is nothing to break the skyline. There is a small bungalow to my right. Four women are coming out of the house. They untie the ponies from the hitching posts and mount. They are Pauline Hoag, Helen Jones, Marion Jacke, and Alma Keister. The girls look as though they enjoy ranch life greatly.

A crowded, reeking slum district takes the place of the previous picture. A few half-clothed children are playing on the street. The only well-kept figure is a tall, dark woman. She asks a little boy where he lives. He seems anxious to show her the way. They climb over dark stairs, and enter a dilapidated room, poorly kept, where a girl stands shivering in rags. The woman gives her a few clothes and leaves a basket of food. As she turns to go, I recognize Clara Schroeter.

A young woman stands before a long mirror, trying hats on an elderly woman. I readily know Georgia Sligar. I had thought she would not have had enough patience to try hats on elderly ladies.

The next is an office scene. A young woman is working rapidly at a stenotype. As she raises her head I see Ollie Stoafer.

The scene has vanished. There is a large auditorium filled with people. On the platform Iva Throgmorton is playing a violin.

Grace Whitlock is speaking before a large assembly of men. Her speech is very impressive and when she finishes, she distributes pamphlets on "Woman Suffrage" among the crowd.

The next is a court scene. A tall, light-haired young lawyer is pleading for a boy charged with forgery. I recall Varian Adams. It is plain to be seen that the jury is deeply moved by his talk.

The next is a theatrical scene. I am watching the play "O'er the Third Floor Back." The maid seems very familiar to me, so looking more closely I see Tuscon Leo.

A dark, well-dressed man is talking to a leading jeweler of Centralia. He is a representative of the Hamilton Watch Co. After a successful interview he turns to leave, and lo! Lawrence Benjaminson is the traveling salesman.

A man is talking to a young woman about an insurance policy. After his long and eloquent speech, she consents to take the policy. As the man turns to leave I recognize Harlon Boyle. Be this a fair warning to Harlon.

The next is a schoolroom scene. Rose Lolling is teaching German in the C. T. H. S.

The next scene is of married life. It seems as if Nelson Garrison and Barbara Noller have been quarreling about a new gown that Mrs. Garrison wants badly. After a good many threats, Nelson consents and matters are

smoothed over quickly.

Two men with guns are trudging through the fields. They have some game already killed. They put aside their guns for fishing rods. "This is life," the short man said, and by his voice I recognize Earl Harmon. The other man, of course, is Ralph Heyduck.

Two girls are preparing "eats" on a library table. There are various school pennants and cushions in the room. Soon the door opens and four other girls enter, their arms full of dainty candies and delicacies. The first two girls, who seem to be roommates, are Rae McKittrick and Myrtle Miller; the guests are Ruby Phillips, Lillian Reagan, Marguerite Umshler and Esther Rogers.

The next is a scene in a city church; the minister is a small man. He seems to be having difficulty in making himself heard. Looking more closely I recognize Gerald Kohl.

A garage appears. There are a great many cars and motorcycles stored here. In the office Wayne Kruger is closing a transaction in which he has sold a Cadillac "six" touring car.

The next is a large city department store. Ray Stevens is pacing back and forth in true floor-walking style.

There is a group of people posing for the motion picture camera. The hero of the movie is Duane Frink, while the heroine is Margaret Reid.

The next is a household scene at supper time. A small dark woman and a man are seated at the table. Immediately I know Ruby Mount. She is disputing with her husband, George Taylor, whether or not they shall go to the picture show. Finally Ruby rules and it is decided that they go.

I see a large advertisement in a shop window as I pass—"Mme. Alma Sachtleben, advisor in all love affairs. Rates very reasonable."

I am very well pleased with the future of the class of '17, and I thank Baltazar Markandus for granting me the use of his most wonderful instrument.

RAE MCKITTRICK,

Class of '17.

The Sophomore class deserves a great deal of credit for the stick-to-the-spirit and class loyalty which they have displayed toward the publication of this issue, which is dedicated to them. They have worked with a will and an effort to please. Their promptness in turning in material for the paper also deserves mention. Not every class is as enthusiastic and energetic as the class of 1917 has proved itself to be, and if its members continue throughout the year as they have begun, there is every reason to believe that "The Sphinx" will complete another successful year. The paper can grow, Sophomores, with your help, for it is the students themselves who make the paper. The members of the staff are simply your servants, here to do your bidding. Keep up the good work as you have begun.

Even Our Poetry.

Miss Lee: What kind of feet have we in this line?

Bright Soph: Antiseptic.



The other evening while I was waiting for my chum to come with her coat, I asked George Washington to open his stony lips and tell me what he had seen in the way of class history since September 8, 1913. He smiled as though he were well pleased with the request.

"Well," he began, "in the first place, the flecks of green before me were more prominent than they had been for years. I was told that these green faces represented the class of 1917. The green, as you already know, is a most noticeable characteristic of the Freshmen, but as this class was a most unusual one, the tint was lost after the first day or two, and the Freshmen felt as much at ease as the old students.

"During the first week of school a class meeting was held, and the officers elected were: President, Nina Huddleston; vice president, Hallie Redus; secretary, Sayburt Loomis; treasurer, Dorothy Burr.

"The class got along first rate until the time came to choose class colors. There were many differences in opinion as to what the colors should be. Finally, after six or seven meetings, the ones decided on were blue and gold. Of course, it would not have been proper to get the colors in the first meeting; it never is.

"About the last of September it was decided that C. T. H. S. should have a weekly paper. Imagine the excitement! The Freshmen elected George Farris as representative of that class, to the managing board of the 'Sphinx'.

"Another bit of thrilling news—the student body would be divided into two sections, each having one hundred and twenty members, and the school would have literary societies. These last two events happened about a month apart, and that class always will say that they had a hand in both.

"After the excitement of the foregoing events, the boys had to keep their ears and eyes open for fear of mischief. They lived in dread of 'Lake Spurrier' and the draining fountains.

"I noticed, too, at the end of the report periods, that the list of failures surely made the fate of the class look doubtful for a while, at least. At the end of the first semester a few who were weighed in the balance in the final examinations were found to be wanting. Although midnight oil and wet towels were used freely, the customary few flunked.

"The rest, however, started the new semester full of hope and enterprise.

"About the first of January a large number of Freshmen, graduates from the eighth grades, joined the class, making 132 in all.

"Being such an unusual class and wishing to keep their good reputation, the Freshmen put their heads together and worked. The results began to be noticeable, too. Dorothy Burr, Helen Jones and Lela Featherling came downstairs from the Domestic Science laboratory without their usual cuts, bruises, courtplaster and cotton batting.

"There was one little lass," spoke Washington in a confidential tone, who did the speaking for all the rest. She kept the teachers at the desk busy enough to draw a double salary, tapping, when the speaking limit of one minute was up. She fairly ran from desk to desk, continually speaking to some one. Out of curiosity I found her name to be Lillian Reagan.

"And there was a boy with such heavy shoes, that I should have liked to shut my ears when he walked across the floor. It was for his special benefit, I believe, that Mr. Tubbs told the Freshmen of the beautiful custom established by the students of the school.

"The class spirit is Sula Brown. Sula is very fond of kittens. Why, she even invites them to visit school—at least she did once last year. The cat amused itself in her desk for a while, but it soon tired of books, and wanted to inspect the Assembly Hall. Sula tried to bribe it to behave, but all in vain; it was only a cat, and its pitiful cries aroused Mr. Tubbs' interest. Sula and the kitten were sent to the office. Ask Sula what happened then.

"Then came the crowning glory of the Freshmen class. It was the first Freshmen class to get out a special number of the 'Sphinx.' The paper was printed in green on white paper. The cover design was in keeping with the season. Three green eggs, in which there were white rabbits, together with poetry, made an attractive front page.

"Then came the inter-class games and meets. Dwight Geary, James Callahan, Sayburt Loomis, Charles Maddox, Earl Harmon and Nelson Garrison held their own against the upper classmen.

"At the Southern Illinois Tournament the Freshmen made as much noise at the right time as anyone; some insist that without their rooting it would have been dull.

"Then came the final examinations for the year. The Freshmen worried—"

Suddenly Washington closed his lips and became a white, dumb statue again. I turned around—Myrtle was waiting with her coat and hat on. She asked me why on earth I was staring at that statue, and what I was writing. Of course she couldn't understand, so I didn't try to explain.

Well, the Freshmen worried through the final examinations; a few worried too much and flunked.

September 8, 1914, as Sophomores, this unusual class entered school for another year's work and fun. A class meeting was held and the officers elected were: President, Gerald Kohl; vice president, Dorothy Bostwick; secretary, Esther Rogers; treasurer, Clara Schroeter. Myrtle Miller was elected representative to the "Sphinx" managing board. The class colors chosen were blue and gold.

Now, Sophomores! The days of Freshman troubles and trials are past forever; the time for Sophomore joys and victories has come to stay for a whole year. Let's get together and boost to make the Class of 1917 the best class that ever graduated from dear old C. T. H. S.!

—RAE MCKITTRICK, '17.

Profanity.

Miss Erbes: Ist es hell in diesem Zimmer?
Students (in chorus): Ja wohl.

Antonia: Can you tell me a joke?
Bess: Uh-huh, Robert.

Freshie: I am studying my best to get ahead.

Soph: You certainly need one.

Little beams of moonshine,
Little hugs and kisses,
Make a little maiden
Change her name to Mrs.

Be it ever so humble, there's no face like your own.

Little drops in Latin,
Little drops in Chem.,
Make the pious Seniors
Say such things as "dem."

Frederic: How would you like to have a pet monkey?

Coleen: Oh, this is so sudden!

Of Course.

Mr. Trout: I want you to read "Looking Backwards."

Jessie: I did that once in examination and almost got caught.

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Our well-heated, commodious building with its well equipped class rooms; an enlarged library; an efficient and interested faculty; two enterprising literary societies from which to pick a winning team for the intellectual contest in the spring; a basket ball team which can turn defeat into a helpful experience and win out in the end; not only a capable coach who is a loyal and enthusiastic supporter of the team, but also an efficient athlete to coach our second team; a newspaper, well-established, which will grow with the growth of the school; an interested school board which shows that interest in every practical way; and we must know that not the least among the many things C. T. H. S. should be thankful for, is the interest and patronage of our townspeople who are always so ready to forward her every enterprise;—all these things let us think of and be glad.

So while we are enjoying the holi-

POETS' CORNER

TO THE SOPHOMORES.

As the world rolls on from day to day,
And as those suns we saw but yesterday

Fall from their pedestal, and then are
seen no more;

We seek to learn from those
Whose names are written on the scroll

Of memory,

Something to aid us in our daily work;

And then we try to be as great

As they. And in time our lives

Become more earnest thru the quiet

study

Of greater men and knightly deeds.

So may you, O Sophomores,
Follow in the footsteps of those who

came before you.

May you take only what is best,

Forgetting all the grosser fibres in the

thots

Of earnest and unfailing friendship

To those who daily seek that friend-

ship

And regard it as the Virgins

Of that Flame in ages past

Regarded their holy office.

Too soon must you leave behind those

pleasures

Which now are only commonplaces.

So I bid you, O Sophomores, to treas-

ure in your minds

The memories of days of youth, and

health,

Of jollity, and all good things;

For the world will call you all too

soon,

Whether to success or failure

It is for you to know.

And the happiness of school days

Will then be forgotten

In the all-forgetting

Whirlwind of the world.

—A. F., '15.

THE STAR.

The sky is full of stars tonight,

They twinkle in the sky so bright;

The world is sorrowful under the light,

The light of the silver stars.

Each star that twinkles there so high

Lives its brief life, and then must die;

And the world below goes plodding by

Thru the light of the silver stars.

They never see the stars' pure light,

They never look to left or right,

They never look to see the flight,—

The flight of a vanished star.

—A. FISCHBACHA, '15.

S is for Silence, not a Sophomore's

fad,

O is Orations which are very bad,

P is for Patience with Freshies so

green.

H is for Honor always to be seen.

O is for Order, which we always keep,

M is for Movies which we often seek,

O is for Old which none of us are,

R is Renown and our fame spread afar,

E is for Earnestness with which we

play ball,

S is for '17, the best class of all.

—M. M., '17.

days which Thanksgiving brings and

all the pleasures of Thanksgiving Day,

let us not forget old C. T. H. S. and its

joys and advantages.

WHEN THANKSGIVIN' STARTED.

Thanksgivin' time we all go home
To see our Grandma Bales;
And Grandma you just be she knows
The most and bestest tales.

She tells us 'bout the Puritans,
An' 'bout old Plymouth Rock;
How when they came to this country
That was their landing dock.

On Monday how they washed an'
washed
Till all their clothes were clean;
How Captain Standish took some men
An' floated down a stream.

How all the people soon got sick
An' a whole lot went an' died;
An' how of logs they built their homes,
With a fireplace big an' wide;

An' when November came around,
An' in the last fair week
The men went out into the woods
Some turkeys wild to seek;

They also ran across some deer,
(I wish't I'd been along),
But Grandma says to kill those things
Would be, oh, terrible wrong!

The women stayed at home and
cooked,
They made the mostest things,
The pun'kin pies and custard pies
Were just set out in strings.

The Indian women, they helped, too,
An' added quite a store
Of fruits an' 'taters, nuts an' things,
An' good things more an' more.

I guess the kids sure had some fun
On that Thanksgivin' day.
I 'spect they started wishin' then
Thanksgivin' day would stay.

It all had worked so beautifully,
When next year came around
They had it for a thankin' day,
Established good and sound.

My grandma says that this is why
That in November now,
The people of America
In thankful prayer do bow.
—MARGUERITE SHANKLIN, '16.

When Autumn Time Comes 'Round This Way.

Somehthin' seems to want to tell me
In a sort of whisperin' way
That the summer days have faded
And the autumn's come to stay.
Somehthin' seems to kind of beekin',
Makes me want to be alone,
Takes me 'way from school and school
books.

Takes me wandrin' 'way from home.
Woods I love, they seem so listless
With the leaves a lyin' 'round—
More a comin' from the tree tops—
Softly flutterin' to the ground;
Kind o' makes a kindred feelin'
Come a stealin' through my heart
Makes me feel as one among 'em,
And forget we're far apart.

Black birds kind a talk and chatter
When the evenin' time is near,
Seems that somehthin' is the matter,—
Seems its somehthin' that they fear.

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After observing for ten years this Thanksgiving Day in Holland, it is small wonder that after the Pilgrims had come to America, they should establish a time of thanksgiving and rejoicing for their first harvest, which had yielded well.

The celebration of Thanksgiving Day has been carried down from 1620 almost every year, until in New England it has come to be an occasion for family reunion. In 1623 a day of fasting and praying was chanced to one of thanksgiving by the coming of rain during the prayer. A public Thanksgiving was made for the first time in the Massachusetts Bay Colony in 1630, and frequently thereafter until 1680 when it became an annual festival in the colony. In 1677 the first regular Thanksgiving Proclamation was issued in Massachusetts.

During the Revolutionary War, the Continental Congress appointed one or more Thanksgiving days each year except in 1777. President Madison, in response to the resolutions of congress, set apart a day after the war of 1812. In some of the southern states there was some opposition to the observance of such a day on the ground that it was a relic of Puritan bigotry, but by 1858 proclamations appointing a day of thanksgiving were issued by the governors of 25 states and 2 territories.

In 1864 President Lincoln issued a proclamation appointing the fourth Thursday in November as Thanksgiving Day with a view of having the day kept annually.

The Governors of the several states, upon receiving the President's proclamation, issued their own, naming the same day. Thus we may say that since 1865, Thanksgiving Day has been an annual National Holiday. It is the only religious festival celebrated in the United States by virtue of the authority of the Civil Government.

Good Translation.

James: What is the English of that German song, Miss Erbes?

Miss Erbes: Well, it says "You are green not only in summer but also in winter."

German Club (in chorus): Ja wohl.

How Queer.

Varian: I lost my watch the other day, and when I found it it was still going; but it wasn't gone.

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Must be talkin' 'bout the autumn,
 Seein' that its come to stay,
 Must be thinkin' its time for movin'
 'Fore the winter drifts this way.

Years are short, and seasons many,
 And when leaves turn gold and
 brown,

Makes me feel like I'm a-changin'—
 Makes me gasp and look around.

Balmy springtime and the summer

Pass us up and take the lead,

But it's autumn, yes, it's autumn

Makes us look and take a heed.

—James Armstrong, '15.

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ALUMNI NOTES

I once had an idea, or was accused by an Alumnus of having one. In its original form it was a suggestion that someone else write recollections of the old schools that are no more and the schools of which you may never have heard. But since my one idea seems to be of the boomerang variety and rebounds upon myself, I shall try to suggest enough about our schools and the people who went to them to enable you to pursue your investigations further, if you care to. The first school of which I happen to know was held in what is now "Welcome Hall." My father moved here from Indiana before the Illinois Central Railroad was built through here, and he used to go to school in that building. Mr. W. B. Goodale might tell you something of those early school days, for if I am not mistaken he was the first child born in Centralia.

Later the East Side and West Side buildings were erected, and Carrie Perrine used to teach primary school in a building which stood where the Fair Furniture Store now is. At that time "Johnny" McNeil was a little fellow in dresses, who used to come to visit school. When my father bought the property where this school stood, the old teacher's desk fell into our hands. It served many years in our home as a kitchen cabinet, and I wish I had it now. When we lifted up the heavy lid, instead of books and birch rods we found the bread board and rolling pin. In our storeroom, too, was a box of broken chalk left over from the little restless hands of former days. Let the owners of some of those hands speak up and tell us of those school days.

Somewhat later, high school work was organized, and was carried on in what is now familiarly and rather lovingly referred to as the "Old East Side High School." Those high schoolers have not forgotten all they knew, either. Even now, in our family, we have only to mention zoology to start the good man of the house off in a sing-song recital of "Quadrumania, Carnivora, Herbivora, Insectibora, Chiroptera, Rodentia, Edentata, Marsupialia, Monotremata and Cetacea." When visitors came, the Zoology class used to "show off" in that way. Mrs. Kohl can tell you more about the Old East Side High School, and if she forgets, perhaps Miss Charlton or Miss Hallam might give her a few pointers. "The New Building," or the Central School was erected at about this time. The little beginners sat in a basement room with immense hot-air pipes just over their heads, to paraphrase "You are old, Father William." The superfluous heat which it gave to their heads has lasted the rest of their lives. Here in this building we went to High School in later days, and it was here, also, that a literary society used to hold debates in the evenings by the light of some feeble coal-oil lamps. The members of this society, at least, did not go beyond their depths in choosing subjects for debate. One night they argued on, "Resolved, That ice cream is unwholesome," and Drew Tufts contended that if you did not eat it, you would hanker for it, and

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A program consisting of musical numbers will be given by the Girls' Glee Club in chapel in about a week. Some of the songs which will be sung are: "Carmena," "Oh, Wert Thou in the Cauld Blast" and "Twilight."

Jessie Beaver, who has been elected president of the club, conducts practice during the absence of Lee Lee.

Art.

The Drawing and Art Class has finished a two weeks' study of free-hand perspective and has taken a test on the work just covered. Studies in lettering and sign designing are now being taken up, and the students are also preparing covers for Thanksgiving booklets. They have completed studies of books, and of doors and windows in charcoal.

When the study of lettering is taken up, the class expects to design some basket ball signs. Probably some of the work will be mounted and exhibited about Christmas time.

ROSETTAS

Daphne and Sylvia Watts and Georgia Sligar spent the week-end in Marion to be on hand at the game Saturday night.

Varian Adams is on our list of wounded. He fell while playing Friday, dislocating his wrist and breaking two bones.

Beulah Davis visited in Marion last week and did her share of rooting at the game Saturday night.

Drenckpohl was absent Tuesday on account of illness.

Jean Fyke is back in school again after a short vacation.

Several of the boys went hunting last week but do not report much success.

Ruth Rickards '14, visited in Champaign last week.

"Pettie Fenix" Skillman spent the holidays in Mt. Vernon visiting friends.

Genevieve Ledford is spending two weeks in St. Louis at St. John's Hospital.

Carl Keller and Clyde Doolin spent the week end in Champaign visiting friends.

ALUMNI NOTES.

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that hankering was worse for you than eating ice cream would be. You see all the talented debaters are not in Township High.

A love of recalling old times comes, I suppose, with advancing age. It will not be long before you, too, will be sitting in a warm corner by the fireplace, and will be rehearsing with toothless reminiscent smiles the days that now are.

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CALENDAR

September.

8 Senior meeting. Class pins chosen. Freshmen impressed by surroundings. Class officers elected.

9 Many damp Freshmen seen. Much water flowing in gymnasium under shower baths. Lake going down.

10 Great joy. Half day sessions announced. School "children" given tickets for fair.

13 Sleepy pupils. Danger of half-day sessions being discontinued.

15 Boys' Glee Club chosen. Fair and cloudy. Much noise.

17 Freshmen announced their independence of Seniors' supervision by going to class rooms alone.

18 Marion County Fair. School children arrive without any chaperon. Large sale of balloons announced. Mr. Tubbs rides on the merry-go-round.

21 Girls' Glee Club organized. Many screams of agony heard.

24 Captured meetings of Freshmen. Green caps chosen to match each other.

25 First edition of "Sphinx" being read by all up to date students.

28 Warning from chair. "Thou shalt not pass unless thou bowest studiously over thy books."

30 Last of month. Second edition of "Sphinx" handed out. Long and learned debates in Senior meetings.

October.

1 It rained. More umbrellas missing.

2 Those wonderful themes on biography. Sh! Don't tell secrets.

3 Saturday. Work—for the night is coming.

4 Sunday. Profound silence.

5 We sing "Little Tin Soldier" and feel comforted.

6 Bess J's birthday. We should worry.

7 Excitement! Senior Girls see a b-o-o-r drunk man. "Pick him up, you brutes!"

9 Heart failure among girls as result of boys being so slow. "Those Junior girls certainly can play some." Let them yell with hearts so joyful! The Seniors don't care.

10 "Movies." Permit to go from Mr. Tubbs.

12 Freda moved to front seat. Undoubtedly her hearing is poor.

13 "Who can tell where she was." Tell it to the Victor-olea.

14 Fear and great trembling. Many faculty meetings.

15 Rain. Rain. Rain. Split vote on debate. Wonderful oratory!

16 Large howl heard from assembly. Much sneezing occurs.

17 High School calmed down once more. Tamaroa beaten.

19 Many tears. Great indignation of many pupils. Report cards received. Much crepe in evidence.

20 Sembrich sings a solo. Mr. Tubbs stands by bareheaded and listens respectfully.

21 Der Hund Lied ist gut, Ya Wohl, German Club meeting.

23 The Nashville Team. Terror. Post house reestablished. More early rising.

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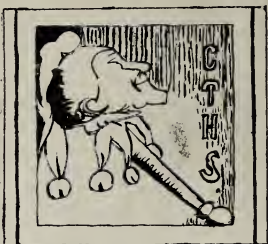
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Leon: He ought to have been able to find out a lot about our ancestors then, hadn't he?

German Yell.

Juche! Juche! Juche!
Es tut uns leid, es tut uns weh
Wir haben Sie zerschlagen,
Sie zittern und Sie zagen
Juche! Juche! Juche!

LINDA GANSAUER, '14.

A is for Adams so wise and so stern,
B is for Bundy so anxious to learn.
C is for Carter, a Sophomore gay,
D is for Dorothy, sighing all day.
E is for Eberts so very precise,
F is for Ferry and Featherling twice.
G is for Goodman never so quiet,
H is for Hoag who likewise is silent.
I is for Ink—no Soph can I find
Whose cognomen starts with an "I" as designed.

J is for Jacke and Jones very funny,
K is for Kohl with face bright and sunny.

L is for Leo and Lolling and Loomis,
M is for Miller whose manner so cute is.

N is for Noller who smiles all the time,
O is for Oldfield, that student sublime.
P is for Patten (a Van goes before),
Q is for Quickness of each Sophomore.
R is for Reagan who studies all day,
S is for Sligar who thinks she will stay

In old Nashville town where she shouts "Hip-hooray!"

T is for Thomas, a girl I don't know;
U are of the Sophomores, I hope you're not slow;

V is for Vera, her last name is Holland;

W is for Walraven whose name here does stand.

X, Y, Z now must finish my list.
There are a few I've skipped, some ones I've missed.

But when reading my rhyme, however so poor,

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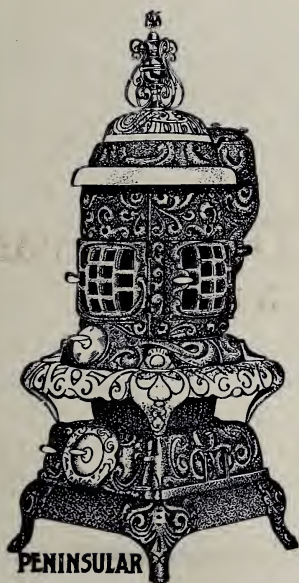
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Tues., Dec. 15. "Home Sweet Home" 6 reels.

Tues., Dec. 22. "The War of the World," 4 reels.

Friday, Dec. 25. "Zudora."

Tues., Dec. 29. "Wrath of the Gods" 6 reels.

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C. T. H. S. LANDS BIG S. I. TOURNAMENT

**SOUTHERN ILLINOIS IS DIVIDED
INTO TWO DISTRICTS—CENTRALIA
GETS NORTHERN HALF.**

Friday afternoon, J. H. Newland, vice-president of the Illinois State Basket Ball Association, published a list of the places in which the different sectional tournaments of the state will be held on the 27th and 28th of next February. In this list it was announced that the South Central Illinois tournament would be held at Centralia.

For some time the desirability of Centralia as a place in which to hold this big meet has been under consideration. Transportation and hotel accommodations for the large crowd which is expected, had to be thought of, as well as a suitable building in which to hold the tournament. For some time Mr. Tubbs has been corresponding with Mr. Newland, with the result that Centralia has again received a chance for exhibiting her sportsmanship and hospitality.

The large number of towns in Southern Illinois wishing to be represented in the tournament, however, made it necessary to divide the former district into two parts. It is the northern division which will meet in Centralia; at the same time the southern division will hold its tournament at Carbondale.

The building in which the Centralia tournament will be held will be Turner Hall. The floor is large, the ceiling high and seats can be arranged to accommodate a large number of rooters. The students of C. T. H. S. should be glad and proud that they are to be hosts at this big meet.

The place for holding the state tournament has not yet been decided, but will probably be either Decatur, Bloomington or Springfield.

A Dream.

I had a dream the other night,
When everything was still,—
I dreamed that each subscriber
Came up and paid his bill.

Miss Lee was the English teacher,
A teacher good and true;
She gave exams to us one by one,
And flunked us two by two.

Mary Rose sat on a tack; Mary rose.

THANKSGIVING NOTED BY THE IRIS SOCIETY

**INTERESTING IDEAS ON THANKSGIVING
BROUGHT FORTH BY
MEMBERS OF DIVISION.**

Last Wednesday morning in the Assembly Hall the Iris Literary Society gave its second very successful program. Remembering the holidays so soon to be, the society presented a "Thanksgiving" program as one being in keeping with the season.

In the music, the readings, the speeches and the debate—in each number of the program was the "Thanksgiving" idea carried out. Many interesting lights were thrown on the subject of Thanksgiving, its meaning and its worth, and many quaint, forgotten bits of history connected with the Pilgrims, their customs and their mode of life, their ships, the Mayflower and the Lusitania, were rediscovered and resurrected. The history of Thanksgiving, from its earliest institution by the Pilgrims to its present adoption as a national holiday, was told in the different speeches. The reading of the president's and governor's proclamations also proved to be an interesting feature of the program.

Rev. Davis of the M. E. church gave a very helpful and interesting talk on "Thanksgiving," enumerating in his speech the many and varied things that the students, as students of C. T. H. S., should be thankful for.

The program as given was as follows:

Pilgrim's Chorus, school.

President's and Governor's Proclamations, Lela Featherling.

"Thanksgiving," Rev. Davis.

Debate: "Resolved, That the custom of Thanksgiving should be discontinued." Affirmative, Ruby Mount; negative, Edith Robertson.

Instrumental solo, Clara Schroeter.

"The Pilgrims up to 1620," Lawrence Heyduck.

"Origin of Thanksgiving," Lawrence Benjaminson.

"The Present-Day Meaning of Thanksgiving," Jean Fryke.

"The Mayflower and Lusitania," Ruby Huddleston.

Vocal solo, "Pilgrim Fathers," Jennie Grace Terpinitz.

"The United States of Today," Helen Osterholz.

"Reading, 'Elder Sniffle's Thanksgiving Dinner,'" Mary Parkinson.

C. T. H. S. IS VICTOR IN SEVERAL GAMES

**C. T. H. S. DEFEATS SALEM, CAR-
LYLE AND KINMUNDY IN
THREE GAMES.**

In a rather slow game in the high school gym Wednesday night, the C. T. H. S. basket ball team met and defeated the hitherto unconquered team from Salem by a 37-18 score.

In spite of the fact that both teams were hampered by the loss of several players, after a few preliminary attempts the game started in earnest. With Loomis coming from center to dribble the ball down the field to Webster and Reid under the basket, C. T. H. S. piled up the score with such amazing rapidity that before Salem could understand what was happening, the first half ended with 19 points for Centralia to Salem's 6 tallies.

Salem came back into the game the second half with renewed energy and determination to win. Their eagerness to demonstrate their ability had its good results. The score for this half was 18-12, with Centralia leading, making the final score 37-18 in favor of the Cardinal and White.

Since C. T. H. S.'s plucky center and star goal shooter, B. Root, was unable to play on account of a bad knee, Loomis came from his position at forward to play center, and although his man exceeded him in height, Percy got the tip-off nearly every time. Webster, who took his place at forward, starred in goal shooting, having five field goals to his credit.

The official line-up follows:

Centralia	Salem
Webster	Merz
Reid	Wilson
Loomis	Adams
Cruzen	Whitson
Sherman	Jones
Waggoner	Schoonover
R. Root	Farthing

Field goals thrown—Webster 5, Reid 4, Loomis 3, Sherman 3, Merz 3, Cruzen 1, Wilson 1, Adams 1.

Goals thrown from fouls called—Loomis 5, Merz 7.

Points awarded, Carlyle 1.

C. T. H. S. 24, CARLYLE 17.

Centralia's second game last week, on Carlyle's floor, resulted in the vanquishing of that foe by a 24-17 score.

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With the Thanksgiving and Sopho-
more number of the "Sphinx" off our
hands, now is the time for us to look
out for material for the big Christmas
edition. Earlier in the year it was
decided not to dedicate the Christmas
paper to any certain class, but in ac-
cordance with the co-operative spirit
of Christmas, to make it an all-school
paper. Now is the time for the whole
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but as one united body, to put forth
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you make it. It will be as large as
your interest and ability demands,
as unique and interesting as your in-
dividuality allows. It is yours to do
with as you please. Will you make it
a success by showing your interest by
your contributions, or will you fail,
by allowing your opportunities to slip
by?

Don't wait until the last minute to
hand in your work. There can be no
last minutes. Everybody is invited to
get to work—NOW.

AN APOLOGY.

Apologies are here offered for the
omission of Dorothy Burr's name as
the author of "What Happened at Bet-
ty's Thanksgiving," which appeared
in the special Sophomore edition last
week.

Oral: What's the matter with your
hand, Louis? Got it all tied up.

Louis: Reckless driving.

Oral: Auto?

Louis: No, nail.

C. T. H. S. IS VICTORIOUS IN SEVERAL GAMES

(Continued from page 1, col. 3.)

Up to Thursday night, Carlyle could
claim a clean record, that of never
having been defeated on her own
floor. Therefore, Thursday's victory
was a double triumph for C. T. H. S.
The game was played on a small
floor, topped by a low ceiling, and was
a very hard floor to play on.

After a few minutes of play, Carlyle
netted the first field goal. This was
quickly followed by a goal by Centra-
lia, but Carlyle soon obtained the lead
again, and retained it during the en-
tire half, which ended 9-3 in her fa-
vor. At one time Carlyle held a lead
of four points over C. T. H. S.

Coming back in the second half,
however, with some fast plays, and
some excellent goal shooting, after a
few minutes of play C. T. H. S. ran
up the score and obtained a lead. At
the end of the half the score was 24-17,
with Carlyle trailing.

After about five minutes of play
Waggoner displaced Cruzen at guard,
and when 35 minutes of the game had
been run off Webster was put in at
right forward. Both subs deserve cred-
it for the game they put up.

Following is the line-up used in the
game:

Centralia	Carlyle
Reid	McGaffigan
Webster	
Loomis	Kahlert
B. Root	Newkirk
Sherman	King
Cruzen	Kugler
Waggoner	Schaeffer

Field goals thrown—Loomis 6, Kahl-
ert 3, Root 2, Webster 1, Waggoner 1,
McGaffigan 1, Newkirk 1.

Free goals thrown—Kahlert 6, Loom-
is 3, McGaffigan 1. Points awarded,
Centralia 1.

C. T. H. S. 17, KINMUNDY 4.
Friday night C. T. H. S. met the
enemy on her home grounds, and re-
peating the performance of the two
preceding evenings, brought down the
enemy's colors to the tune of 17-4.

From start to finish the game was a
fast and exciting one. Beginning with
a rush, the fighting was fast and fur-
ious, neither side making a point for
the first ten minutes of play. Then
taking the ball down the field in a
hurricane fashion, Kinmundy tipped it
into the basket for the first field goal.
For a long time Centralia strove to
overcome that lead, finally gaining a
point on a foul throw, making the
score 2-1. This was quickly followed
by a basket from the field, raising the
score 3-2 for C. T. H. S. Two more
goals from fouls ended the half, with
a score of 5-3 in Centralia's favor.

In the second half C. T. H. S. came
back stronger than ever, and although
Kinmundy played hard, she was unable
to overcome the lead which Centralia
soon gained. The game throughout
was very rough, but fast and interest-
ing, nevertheless.

One feature of the second half was
Webster's race around the gym with
his untiring guard.

The line-up was as follows:

Centralia	Kinmundy
Reid	C. Doolin

Loomis	.....lf.....	F. Doolin
Webster		
Root	.....c.....	Lowe
Loomis		
Sherman	.....rg.....	Lacy
Waggoner		Wilkinson
Cruzen	.....lg.....	Howell

Goals thrown from the field—Loomis
2, Reid 1, Root 1, Sherman 1, D. Dool-
lin 1.
Goals thrown from fouls called —
Loomis 7, D. Doolin 2.

SIDE LIGHTS ON THE GAME.

Bobby Webster's in training for the
Marathon in the Spring. That was a
secret, but it was given away at the
game with Kinmundy last Friday.

Well, well! some boys never out-
grow the pleasures of childhood. Did
you notice Percy playing "horse" and
"buckin' broncho" in the Kinmundy
game?

We would like to know on what sort
of diet Coach Trout keeps the team.
It must be rare beefsteak and Byron
got cheated out of his share, so he took
his bite while the game was on with
Carlyle.

Mother Peterkin Buys an Umbrella.

It had rained steadily for fully a
week and Mother Peterkin had seen
many queer-shaped black things that
people carried over their heads. At
first she didn't know what they were,
so she asked the Lady from Philadel-
phia, who said they were umbrellas.
The next time it rained Mother Peter-
kin bought an umbrella. The clerk
opened it and handed it to Mother
Peterkin. She was much pleased with
her new purchase and walked around
several blocks so people could see it.

But, alas! Her joy was not of long
life. When she got home she could
not get the umbrella through the door.
She stood out in the rain and held it
until it was dark and bedtime. Mrs.
Peterkin was afraid to go in and leave
it because, as she said, it might blow
away. Little Johnny Peterkin thought
he could get it down the chimney, so
he climbed up on the roof, but the um-
brella was too large to go down. They
tried to get it in through the window,
but still it wouldn't go in.

Finally Sally suggested that they
send for the Lady from Philadelphia,
and ask her advice. She soon came
and showed the Peterkins how to open
and close an umbrella. They thought
this was quite wonderful until Johnnie
opened and closed it so much that he
broke the catch.

—DOROTHY BOSTWICK, '17.

Knowledge.

Mr. Trout: Tom, what are Senators
removed from office for?

Tom: Treason, murder, felony, and
—er—a breach of promise.

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MEMORIES.

(Continued from last week.)

The man nodded, his eyes on the grass, and hate in his heart.

And so Faith began,—

"Once long ago, in a far-off country, there lived a poor little peasant maid, Elda, but she was a very happy little maid, for she loved life and the world; and you know life and the world are good to those, and love those who love them.

"But one day, while Elda was trudging along the road toward the city, she saw, riding toward her, a beautiful knight, on a wonderful black charger. Upon reaching her, the knight reined in his prancing steed, and stooping, asked of her the way. And he was so handsome, so gentle, and withal, so courteous, that the maiden straightway fell in love with him; but after a few words, he rode away.

"Not long after, there was a great wedding and much feasting in the palace of the king, and all of the peasant folk were allowed a part in the feasting, for the king was kind, and wanted everyone to share his happiness.

"And Elda saw the king and knew him to be her knight. But she was very sad, for she had loved the unknown stranger more than she knew. So she wept in sorrow for many days. Gradually in her anguish she came to think bitterly of the king and hated with all her heart the young queen, his wife. And the world grew black for the peasant maid, and she did not care to live, since hate dwelt in her heart.

"Then one day came the Wise Woman to the unhappy maiden, for she loved Elda and she knew how love, and then hate, had come into her heart, until she wished to die. So she said, patiently and wisely:

"Elda, you have memories, and memories live forever. They are like people,—wonderful and precious things,—some beautiful and good; others, unpleasant and loathsome; and yet,—and yet, if we but look, and watch, and are patient, and above all,—love, we will find some good,—something to make us happy in every memory."

"And as Elda listened, love crowded the bitterness of hate out of her heart, until at last,—at last, only the happy memories remained."

As Faith's voice ceased, Henderson sat with bowed head, staring at the grass but not seeing it, and thinking,—thinking,—only thinking; while Faith, her eyes again dreamy with hope and patience and love, and still unconscious of the things about her, sighed. At last, Henderson drew himself heavily and slowly to his feet, stood staring at Faith's transfigured face a moment, and then reaching down, he grasped her hand almost roughly.

"Faith,"—and there was a little catch in his voice—"Faith,—I—thank you. I'm going—away—now, to dig up those—happy memories. Some day, when I—find them—I'll come back."

—And he was gone, and Faith was left alone, staring out across the wooded hills, with a tiny smile in her eyes, a hand that hurt from his parting clasp,—and her happy memories.

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I used to think I knew I knew,
But now, I must confess,
The more I know, I know I know,
I know I know the less.

—Behistun.

A school paper's a great invention,
The staff gets all the fame,
The printer gets the money
And the editor gets the blame.

—Ex.

ROSETTAS

Alden Perrine and Harry Davis, representatives from Sunday schools of Centralia, spent Friday, Saturday and Sunday in Rock Island, attending the Older Boys' Conference there.

Fae Pittenger, De Witt Pulcifer and Ralph Pixley were high school visitors Wednesday.

Temple Pike and Edith Robertson accompanied the team to Carlyle Thursday and took part in the rooting.

Miss Thelma Gilpin, '14, entertained a few high school friends at a good, old-fashioned taffy pull Thursday evening. Miss Frances Welsh of Carbondale Normal was an out-of-town guest, as well as Miss Rowena Kohl, De Witt Pulcifer and Harold Westbrook, who are attending the University of Illinois.

Miss Vera Reibel spent the holidays with homefolks in Chicago.

Fay Brown, recently of Girton School, has enrolled in Medieval History and English at C. T. H. S.

Miss Mitchell spent Thanksgiving with friends in Champaign.

Clifford Kern and Paul Trinwith wish it announced that they were school inspectors Monday.

Gladys Goodman, '16, spent the holidays with friends in Odin.

ALUMNI NOTES

Thanksgiving vacation gave many Alumni of C. T. H. S. an opportunity to be home for a few days:

Rowena Kohl, '14, Esther Storer, '14, Justin Kohl, '13, Burnham Walraven, '12, Bertha Erbes, Alfred Kinsey, '10, De Witt Pulcifer, '14, and Harold Westbrook, '14, came down from Champaign.

Thelma Gilpin, '14, who is attending Carbondale Normal, spent her vacation with home folks.

George Walraven, Nellis Parkinson, Wallace Holcomb, Harriet Cade and Delos Brown, all of James Milliken University at Decatur, came home for the holidays.

Pauline Bundy, '13, who is attending Northwestern U. at Evanston, came home for Thanksgiving.

Elsie Saxer, '13, who is training for public library work in St. Louis, spent Thanksgiving with home folks.

De Witt Pulcifer, '14, who is attending Illinois U., received an appointment as reporter on the "Daily Illini." This is indeed an honor, as he was one of the six Freshmen who were so fortunate as to be appointed.

Pearl Smith, '14, who is teaching in the grade schools, with her pupils gave an exhibition of their work in physical training, as they were considered almost perfect in the work.

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THE SPRING

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COLLINSVILLE SENDS C. T. H. S. TO DEFEAT

LAST YEAR'S VICTIM EVENS UP
OLD SCORES BY DEFEATING
C. T. H. S. 48-11.

In a heated fray characterized by some fast playing, Collinsville evened up past scores by defeating C. T. H. S. on the enemy's grounds Friday night by a 48-11 wreckage. Thirsting for vengeance for the loss of the Southern Illinois championship last year, and desirous of maintaining a present unbroken line of six victories, Collinsville entered the battle fearful of losing, and determined to win. Her players, all of whom represented her in the tournament last year, three on the regular team and two as subs, were determined to give C. T. H. S. the trouncing which they thought she deserved. C. T. H. S., though full of pluck and grit, was placed at a disadvantage on account of the slippery dance floor on which they had to play. Quite unlike the rough concrete floor of C. T. H. S., Collinsville's polished floor required careful maneuvering to retain one's equilibrium. It was not until after a great deal of practice that the players of C. T. H. S. could understand the trick of running to intercept the ball and standing upright at the same time. An emergency brake was required of some sort.

Making the first goal, Collinsville commenced a steady upward climb. The excellent passing of her tall representatives, which was, however, unlike the fancy passing practiced by the team last year, and the clever plays pulled off deserve much praise. The whole game was remarkably free from fouls, only two being called the entire first half. The half ended with a score 15 to 4 with Collinsville leading.

The second half went off in much the same manner as the first had gone, with Collinsville rapidly increasing the score, although the Centralia guards

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BIG MOCK TRIAL IS HELD AT C. T. H. S.

BUSINESS MEN PARTICIPATE IN
ENTERTAINMENT TO HELP
PAY FOR VICTROLA.

Noisy, laughing, hilarious, the crowd which witnessed the mock trial in the Assembly hall Friday night, one of the greatest trials of the age, that in which many of the prominent citizens of Centralia participated and which affected the whole community greatly—the crowd departed having been thoroughly entertained. Not only that, but another sum had been earned toward the completion of the payment on the victrola.

The trial was screamingly funny from beginning to end. The questions of the attorneys, the responses of the witnesses, the wailings of the beautiful widow and the love-sick glances which she cast upon that hated creature, the man of her heart; his evident embarrassment at certain bits of evidence disclosed; the disclosures made concerning certain bits of history, and the "hash house" on "Rexford Avenue"; all of these things kept the audience in a continual roar of laughter.

The affair was made doubly funny by the fact that nearly all of the actors were well-known citizens of Centralia, staid, dignified, respectable business men. The charge was this: Dr. Julius Kissel was charged with ensnaring the affections of a fascinating widow (Mabel Besant). The result of the trial was that the defendant was fined \$3.48; three dollars for the jury and forty-eight cents to go to the court. This being the sixth breach-of-promise case brought against the aforesaid Dr. Kissel, the court not only bribed, but instructed the jury verbally to declare the defendant "guilty." In the words of the court, "We must protect the widows."

DR. BANCROFT GIVES INTERESTING TALK

STUDENTS HEAR MANY THINGS
CONCERNING LINCOLN AND
HIS ASSASSINATION.

Dr. Bancroft, who is traveling thru the United States, lecturing in the high schools of the country, spoke to the students Wednesday morning during opening exercises. The assassination of President Lincoln, and his own experiences in Kansas before it was a state, were his subjects.

Dr. Bancroft who is seventy-five years of age, was an eye-witness at the assassination of Lincoln, one of the most tragic scenes in the history of the world. The vivid word picture of Ford's Theatre, and of the great crowd gathered there mainly because it had been given out that Lincoln was to attend the theatre that night, will long be remembered. He asked the question, "How many know that the war was over when Lincoln was shot?" He made this query to bring out the fact that many discharged soldiers were present in the theater that night.

Dr. Bancroft also refuted views which are held by many people; for example, that Booth broke his leg when he caught his spur in the flag in descending from Lincoln's box. Booth made his escape by going down some steps and out of the stage door; he would hardly have done this had his leg been broken. Dr. Bancroft then gave a detailed account of Booth's capture in the old barn in Virginia, of his death fifteen minutes later, of his burial the first time and of his final resting place.

In relating the history of his own experiences in Kansas, Dr. Bancroft brought out many facts which illustrate how "new" that country was considered at that time. He told how he had run away from home when only fifteen, how he had come to Chicago where for a gun, ammunition and free passage, he had joined a party of settlers going to Kansas. He stayed there for many years and helped bring Kansas in as a free state.

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stairs corridor to which the students
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ficient importance. That is the bul-
letin board. It is the custom in some
schools to place all the announce-
ments for the day on the bulletin
board. While we do not do this there
are often items of importance to be
found there and if more interest were
evinced there might be more notices
posted. It would not be an unpleasant
sight to see every morning a group of
students clustered around the bulletin
board trying to see if there had been
anything new added since the day be-
fore or if there were any announce-
ments that would affect them. Under
certain conditions and in a different
way the bulletin board could be made
a regular rival of the "Sphinx." To a
great degree it could be made to take
the place of announcements from the
Assembly Hall platform. The bulletin
board has been placed in a conspicu-
ous position where the students can
see it on coming into the building in
the morning and on passing back and
forth to classes, so it might be well
for the students to form a habit of
noticing it once in a while.

M. S., '16.

NOTICE.

All material for the BIG CHRIST-
MAS EDITION must be in by next
Friday, December 11. Contributions
solicited.

ROSETTAS

Mr. Tubbs has received a letter
from Professor H. A. Hollister, State
High School Inspector, stating that
the Centralia Township High School
has been placed on the accredited
list at Illinois University until June
30, 1918. C. T. H. S. was inspected
by Mr. Didcott, assistant inspector.

Rae McKittrick, '16, has moved to
Staunton, Illinois, where she is at-
tending high school.

The C. T. H. S. Hall of Fame is now
labeled with symmetrical wooden let-
ters, made by the Manual Training
boys, under supervision of Mr. Gun-
ther. The students are eagerly await-
ing the appearance of the first pic-
ture in the "Famous Hall."

Christmas Number.
Mr. Le Greff of the Illinois Depart-
ment of Agriculture was a school vis-
itor Wednesday, Mr. Le Greff is in the
division of this work to which Mr.
Logan of this city belonged.

Mrs. Pfeifer was a school visitor
Wednesday.

Genevieve Ledford '16, who has been
in St. John's hospital in St. Louis for
the last three weeks, spent the week-
end at home.

Thursday morning during opening
exercises the members of the staff, the
various "Sphinx" committees and the
class presidents rendered a "Sphinx"
Enthusiasm Program for the assem-
bly.

The Domestic Science Club met last
Saturday evening at the home of Helen
Fyke on South Poplar street. The girls
spent the evening making fancy work
and exchanging new ideas for Christ-
mas gifts. Dainty refreshments were
served by the hostess, assisted by Ma-
rian Jacke, Rebecca Jones and Win-
fred Welton.

DELPHIC PROGRAM GIVEN TUESDAY.

A very interesting and enjoyable
program was given by Division Two
of the Delphic Society Tuesday morn-
ing. As usual, the program was given
in the time immediately following
the first period. Though following no
distinct plan, the program was a very
good one, all of the performers doing
exceedingly well.

As given the program was as fol-
lows:

Piano solo, Erma White.
Recitation, Daisy Carter.
Piano solo, Marguerite Umshler.
Extempore, "The Trials of a Sen-
ior," Grace Whitlock.
Piano solo, Nina Huddleston.
Debate, "Resolved, That the new
and present system of discipline in our
high school should be abolished." Af-
firmative, Sula Brown and Alden
Perrine; negative, Daphne Watts and
Walter Storer.

Vocal solo, Florence Friedenstein.
Extempore, "The National Holidays
of the United States," Mary Belle Bak-
er.

Piano solo, Clifford Greer.
Reading, Tuscon Leo.
Reading, May Wallis.

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ALUMNI NOTES

It has been learned that John Heil, '88, has been for several years superintendent of schools in Morgan Park, a suburb of Chicago, having filled a similar position in Belvidere and Elgin. The grit and ambition of the Heil family resulting in useful, successful careers, may well serve as a stimulus to others. After his graduation in Centralia, John persuaded his parents to move to Chicago, that he might work his way through the university there.

His sister, Dora, and his brother, Gus, have done the same thing, and all have been teaching since then. Dora in the public schools of Chicago. Gus has taught Physics in some of the high schools of Ohio, but is doing advanced work in Chicago University this year.

Not long ago Mrs. C. N. Power, of Pueblo, with her six-year old son, visited Mrs. W. S. Perrine. This was the latest incident of a long and intimate friendship, begun when these ladies were members of the class of '93. They were then known as Alice Warfield, of Sandoval, and Genevieve Frazier.

COLLINSVILLE SENDS C. T. H. S. TO DEFEAT

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were doing some excellent work.

Brede, the Collinsville center, was the individual star, making thirteen field goals during the game. Loomis, who, after the first fifteen minutes of play, took Root's place at center, put up a very creditable game against his taller opponent. Webster took his place at left forward.

Collinsville expects to play here on February 12th.

The line-up for the game was as follows:

Centralia	Collinsville
Loomis	lf..... Gaizat
Webster	
Reid	rf..... Martin
Root	c..... Brede
Loomis	
Cruzen	lg..... Dillon
Sherman	rg..... Dorris

Goals thrown from the field—Brede 13, Martin 4, Gaizat 3, Reid 2, Dillon 2, Sherman 1.

Goals thrown from fouls called — Loomis 4, Gaizat 2.

Points awarded—Collinsville 2, Centralia 1.

DR. BANCROFT GIVES INTERESTING TALK

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Dr. Bancroft's speech was a treat not often received, and the interesting historical incidents which he brought forth enlivening them with his pervading humor, make him one of the most interesting speakers who have ever come before a C. T. H. S. assembly.

There's a Reason.

Hyacinth—Why is a baby like the "Sphinx"?

Raymond—I don't know; why?

Hyacinth—Well, each is a howling success.

The Trouble.

Miss Mitchell—What's the matter, Leon? You look worried.

Leon—I am. I lie awake nights thinking of my studies. Then when I come to school, I keep going to sleep.

First Wise Person: When is a Sophomore not a Sophomore?

Second Wise Person: I cannot recollect.

First Wise Person: When he makes a bright recitation.

Second Wise Person: What is he then?

First Wise Person: He is then a curiosity.

First Sophomore: What's the matter, old man? You look as blue as indigo.

Second Sophomore: I just lost \$2.25.

First Sophomore: Lost it! How?

Second Sophomore: I lost the quarter through a hole in my pocket and loaned the "two" to a Senior.

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—H. M., '18.

Epitaphs.

Freshmen—

Milk famine—not fed.

Starvation—they're dead.

Wise Student—

Conceited—swelled head.

Busted cranium—he's dead.

John Finch—

Girl stung him—hope fled.

Heart broken—he's dead.

Walter Storer—

Long lessons—no bed.

Brain fever—he's dead.

A. Freshman—

Four lessons not read—

He flunked—"nuff sed!"

Notice!

Wade Storer walked into the Photography room the other day and carried off the earth!

The Difference.

Mother—Johnny, where have you been?

Johnny—In the pantry.

Mother—Eating jam?

Johnny—No, jamming eats.

Sad But True.

Student—I got my report card today.

Friend—What else did you get?

Student—Nothing.

INTER-SOCIETY COMMITTEE HOLDS MEETING.

The committee which was appointed by the presidents of the societies, with a view to making all arrangements and settling all difficulties in regard to the annual inter-society contest, held its first meeting Thursday evening. At this meeting many important matters were taken up and voted upon. The date of the inter-society contest was set for February 25. The preliminary try-outs which will result in the selection of the best material from each society as representatives in the final contest, will be held on the sixth, seventh and eighth of January.

It was voted to retain the rule which was in force last year, that no person could represent his society in more than one event. This rule, however, does not prohibit try-outs in several events, but the winner must accept the first one he wins, as the one in which he is to represent his society.

Much interest and enthusiasm is expected to be created between the rival societies as a result of this contest. In this connection an honorary society is to be formed. Any student who represents the school, either in athletics, basket ball or track meets, or in the intellectual field, will be eligible for membership in this society.

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Dec. 22—"War of the World," four reels.

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THE SPRING

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SHELBYVILLE PROVES WATERLOO TO C. T. H. S.

SEVEN-YEAR RECORD BROKEN BY
SHELBYVILLE BY TWO
POINTS—25-23.

In the old C. T. H. S. gym Friday, Centralia was forced to dip the Cardinal and White to Shelbyville by a 25-23 score.

Yes! We have met the enemy, and—we are theirs! We may have been conquered, but our spirit is unbroken. We will return to the ring and meet all future comers with undaunted courage. In honorable defeat there is no disgrace; indeed, to hold our own as well as we did against the husky, experienced boys from the north is deserving of the highest praise.

The boys deserve our loyal support for the plucky fight they put up against the invader. We can only admit that we have met our match and that the enemy has our scalp; we can only try harder than ever, if such a thing is possible, and endeavor to regain our lost colors.

A very enthusiastic bunch of rooters crowded the gym Friday night to witness the hardest game Centralia has played this year. Excitement ran high and the spectators crowded out onto the floor as the ball shot from one end of the floor to the other. Klausner got the first ball for the enemy on a foul throw. This was soon tied by a goal by Loomis, and the game began again. After a few minutes of lively tusseling, his throw was soon followed by one from Hamer. C. T. H. S., never far behind, soon brought up the score by a throw from Root. The half was fast and interesting from the start, being anybody's until the last minute, ending with Shelbyville ahead by a 10-9 score.

The second half opened with a rush. Klausner again began the half with a free goal. He quickly followed this at-

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MEETING OF GERMAN CLUB A SUCCESS

CLUB HOLDS IMPORTANT MEET-
ING—EIGHT NEW MEMBERS ARE
INITIATED.

The German Club met Dec. 9 at the home of Miss Erbes, the German teacher. There was an attendance of twenty-six. The meeting opened with the reading of the minutes by the secretary, Gerald Kohl. Mr. Kohl read them in such a pleasing manner that the members of the club would have been pleased to hear a few more minutes.

After this the well known German song, "Die Lorelei," was sung by everyone. As this was a "Heine" program, all the songs and readings were composed by this author. The next number of the program was a biography of the poet, Heine. This was given by Wilson Storer, who speaks English almost as well as he does German. Following this Clyde Kern gave the story of "The Lorelei" and its connections with the author. The club members then sang a selection of their own, "Die Tannerbaum." Dorothy Burr gave a reading of "The Grenadier," one of Heine's more spirited poems. Afterward the German quartette, composed of Jessie Beaver, Antonia Fischbacha, Harry Davis and James Armstrong, sang one of Heine's best known songs, "Du Bist wie eine Blume." In response to an encore they sang "Stille Nacht." The story of "Du Bist wie eine Blume" was then given by Barbara Noller, who's German diction appeared easy and fluent. This was one of the best numbers on the program. The program closed with another song by the entire club.

After the program eight new members were initiated with many solemn proceedings. The members were Mr. Guenther, Mr. Tubbs, James Armstrong, Harry Davis, Ruby Smith,

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BIG DEBATING LEAGUE NOW CONSIDERED

TRIANGULAR LEAGUE COMPOSED
MT. VERNON, BELLEVILLE AND
C. T. H. S. MAY BE.

An effort is being made and plans are being formed to establish a Triangular Debating League between Mt. Vernon, Belleville and Centralia. Communications have already been sent to Mt. Vernon and Belleville, inviting them to join C. T. H. S. in this plan. These cities have been asked to help in forming the league, because they are both members of the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, and because the educational opportunities of the students of these three cities are very nearly equal.

The plan is this: let these three schools agree upon some question for debate. After the question has been settled upon, each school will hold tryouts for the purpose of selecting persons to form the debating teams. Two teams will be selected in each school, an affirmative and a negative team. At a set date, three contests will be held, one in each city belonging to the league. In each case, the negative team will debate away from home, the affirmative remaining at home to debate against the visiting team. No further plans than this have yet been formulated.

On account of the growing interest in athletics, both in basket ball and track athletics, it was deemed advisable to take up this new line of intellectual activity, since in no school should athletics be the predominant form of school activity, but a well-preserved balance should be maintained.

Teacher: What is the earth composed of?

Stude: Land and water.

Teacher: And what do land and water make?

Stude: Why,—er,—mud.

Father (sternly): Did it ever dawn on you, my boy—

Son: No, I never stayed that long.

—EX.

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GIVING.

The other day I saw a cartoon of 2 little American ragamuffins looking at a big poster announcing the joy of the children of Belgium when the Christmas ship arrived. The little girl was saying, "Gee, I wish we was Belgian refugees."

Isn't this enough to make one stop to think? What have we done to make a happy Christmas for our own poor children? Almost every home in America gave something for the "Big Ship." How many homes will give something for American poor?

In many towns preparations are being made for a big Christmas for the home children. In Centralia a benefit has been given and the Camp Fire Girls are packing a box. Everybody ought to be ready and willing to help with this movement.

JEAN FYKE, '15.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

At this time of the year there are a great many people skimping and buying only the bare necessities of life in order that they may have plenty of money to purchase presents for Christmas. Many times these presents are given to people to whom the donors of the gifts will hardly even speak, when they meet the former on the street. Other people think that they must give presents or something most terrible will happen to them.

But where is the love that should be the cause of the giving? Even the receivers of the gifts take them as a matter of course. Why should money be thrown away in this manner? How much better it would be if the fathers

ROSETTAS

The members of the German III class, who recently finished reading the one-act comedy, "Eigensinn," are preparing to stage the play. They expect to be ready to give it at the next meeting of "Der Deutsche Verein," which will take place at the high school building on Wednesday evening of December 23.

Camp Nakoma held a ceremonial meeting at the home of Nellie Lamblin Saturday evening. Four girls were admitted to the rank of wood gatherers and received their rings. The girls made stockings, red tarlatan and planned to fill them for some poor child on Christmas.

Several new additions have been made to the equipment of the Physics laboratory.

R. W. Stratton, representing the McMillan Company, was a school visitor Thursday.

A small payment was made on the victrola with the proceeds of the mock trial.

Harry Toothaker, '13, was a school visitor Wednesday.

Helen Means is back in school again, after her enforced absence on account of illness.

An extraordinarily good yell practice was held Friday afternoon, in anticipation of the evening's game.

The Household Science girls sold candy at the game Friday night.

The Household Science Club met Saturday evening at 7:30 at the home of Marie Cole, where they engaged in making Christmas present. Mildred Goad, Bess Meisenheimer, and Ruby Phillips acted as assistant hostesses.

MEETING OF GERMAN

CLUB A SUCCESS

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Francis Rogier, William Bellamy and Antonia Fischbacha.

A spelling bee was enjoyed by these new members in which they easily gained the mastery over words of extraordinary difficulty. Next was given them the right hand of fellowship, but this greeting was given in such a shocking manner that it is doubtful if the new members will ever again join a club. Mr. Guenther appeared to be especially shocked by the proceedings.

The Senior members easily passed their German examinations and ate them afterward, all except Ruby, who flunked shamefully. Mr. Tubbs and Mr. Guenther then proceeded to step all around and over the oost china of the hostess, which they did very successfully.

Light refreshments were served by the hostess and the club adjourned until the next meeting, after being invited to attend a German play Wednesday, Dec. 23.

and mothers would allow their children to go to C. T. H. S. basket ball games! Better still would it be to give to the worthy poor! Therefore, before you buy your gifts this year, be sure that love will be sent with them and remember that "the gift without the giver is bare."

WALTER STORER, '15.

IRIS LITERARY PROGRAM

The third program of the Iris Literary Society, held Tuesday morning, was "Peace Program." It was against war, the terrible example being set by the nations of Europe, and in behalf of peace, as it was intended from the first. The price of war both in lives and in money and the life of a prisoner of war, as opposed to the victories of peace through arbitration, the work of the Hague Peace Tribunal the beautiful meaning of peace as opposed to the terrible meaning of war were brought out distinctly. One of the most enjoyable features of the program was a vocal solo by Miss Shuttlesworth, Miss Shuttlesworth, formerly a student of C. T. H. S. has been studying in St. Louis for some time and to hear a voice as hers is a treat not often received by C. T. H. S. students.

The program was as follows:

Plano Solo, Marjorie Brenneman; Definitions of Peace, Dorothy Bostwick; Cost of War, Beulah Ballie; Victories of Peace, Earl Waggoner; War in Schools, Ruth Tyler; Vocal Solo, Miss Fae Shuttlesworth; Arbitration, Harold Skillman; Reading, Katherine Miller; Prison Life, Charles Underwood; Hague Peace Tribunal, Wilson Storer; Cost of Super-dreadnought, Sylvia Watts; Summary of Act I of "In the Vanguard," Helen Fyke; Reading of Act II of "In the Vanguard," Vivian Mevers; Summary of remainder of "In the Vanguard," Neva McKoy; Reading, Georgia Sligar; Plano Solo, Herritt McDowell.

A teacher was explaining to a class the meaning of the word "cuticle." "What is it I have all over my face?" she asked.

"It's freckles," cried a little Fresh. joyfully.

—The Acropolis

SHELBYVILLE PROVES

WATERLOO TO C. T. H. S.

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tempt by a shot from the field. Reid, Cox and Reid again placed baskets in quick succession. Each side was straining to the utmost. Both had big stakes—Centralia to keep her record; Shelbyville to break it. They fought—time was called with only two minutes and six seconds to play. Both sides got a breathing spell and returned to the battle. The gun went off. C. T. H. S. was defeated, but her rooters left the gym still singing "Centralia Loyalty."

The lineup was as follows:
Shelbyville C. T. H. S.
Klauserlf..... Loomis
Coxrf..... Reid
Hamerc..... Root
Givianlg..... Sherman
Krellrg..... Cruzen
Williamssub..... Webster
Wagoner

Field goals thrown—Reid 4, Cox 3, Klauser 3, Loomis 2, Givian 2, Homer 1, Cruzen 1, Root 1.

Free goals thrown—Loomis 5, Klauser 7.

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The Smile.

With a face bright and cheery,
Let us greet the Christmas time.
What's the use of being dreary,
Tho' you've only got a dime?

Dimes are precious, it is true,
So are pennies to the child.
Is there nothing YOU can do,
In this land so broad and mild?

There is one thing each may claim.
Can money buy it? We say no.
It's the smile that's just the same,
No matter where our feet may go.

So let us give this smile to others,
Let Christmas be the time we choose,
Let each one give it to his his brothers,
For none of us have time to lose.
LULU SELLERS '15.

Doctoribus goibus
Out of citorum,
Killibus manibus
With medicinorum.
Afferibus alibus
Put in groundorum,
Doctoribus losibus
All his tradorum—
Gitibus poribus,
Almost sctarvorum!
Putibus upibus
His right handorum,
Andibus swearibus
Nonnues killorum
Neveribus morum.

ARTHUR KINNANE, '15.

Comparison.

Varian: What did you say?
Miss Erbes: I said, "Thou art like
unto a flower."

Miss Mitchell: What is a circus
ring?

Bright Freshie: It is a place about
twice as large as Room 2, where
horses run around.

Miss Mitchell: There is a piece of
ground over there by that barn that
is twice as large as this room, where
cows run around. Is that a circus
ring?

Three men were talking, on a train.
Said one:

"I knew of a man who was so ab-
sent-minded that he spit on the man-
tel and put his feet in the fire."

"That's nothing," said the second.
"I knew one who put his wet um-
brella to bed and stood in the hall all
night."

"Oh," said the third, "I know a
worse one than that. I knew a fellow
who poured syrup down his back and
scratched his pancake."

And the train then reached its des-
tination.

A New Yell.

Basket ball!
Basket ball!
High school
Has the call!
Biff, Boom, Bang,
Whoop!

—Emmet Rupe.

So Near—

Teacher: How near were you to
the right answer?

Stude: Two seats away.

—EX.

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Tom (loudly): A head.

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And the basket ball floor is clear,

Straighten my nose and shoulder,

Help me to find my lost ear.

Miss C.: Translate the sentence,
"Rex Fugit."

Student: The king flees.

Miss C.: But you must use "has" or
"have" with the perfect.Student: Well, then, the king has
flees.

—Behistun.

Colleen: Lillian Russell said that
in order to laugh gracefully you should
not show your gums.Nina: Aw, you read it wrong. It
was not to show your gum.Miss Murray: What is quick bread?
Iva: Quick bread is bread that
doesn't have to sit and rise.

Teacher: What is a brooklet?

Class: Small brook.

Teacher: What is a rivulet?

Class: Small river.

Teacher: What is a hamlet?

Class: Small ham.

Teacher: What is etiquette?

Pupil: Why—er—a—it's a disease.

Teacher: What does "transparent"
mean?Stude: Something you can see
through.

Teacher: Give me an example.

Stude: A ladder.

Miss F. (in Physics): Now, in music,
what does quality depend on?

Percy: The listener.

Miss F.: Why, how's that?

Percy: Well, it may be good quality,
all right, to the one who's singing
but when you have to listen—! When!**Of Course.**"Did you ever have a cold you
couldn't get rid of?" sniffed Ruth."No," solemnly answered Rebecca,
"if I had had, I would have it now."**A Little Different.**Mr. Tubbs—Have you read "Lamb's
Tales"?Mary Belle—No, sir. We have a few
black sheep, but I have never seen red
ones.**Cruelty.**Robert—I know a joke; I open a
door—

Dwight—What's the joke?

Robert—John Finch came in.

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BENTON FALLS AN EASY VICTIM FOR C. T. H. S.

C. T. H. S. DEFEATS BENTON IN RETURN GAME BY 40-6 SCORE.

The Cardinal and White added another scalp to its belt Friday night when Benton was swamped by the top-heavy score of 40-6.

The rain prevented a large crowd from attending and little or no enthusiasm was manifest during the game, Benton's one rooster making more noise than all of Centralia's.

The game started with a fight for goal, neither side scoring for about ten minutes. Adams of Benton finally placed a basket by a clever throw. This was soon followed by one for Centralia by Sherman.

Centralia then began a rapid climb and at the end of 16 minutes the score stood 12-3 in favor of C. T. H. S. Reid placed two baskets in quick succession raising the score to 16-3. This was the score at the end of the half.

Second Half.

Reid began the second half by placing another basket within the first minute.

Kirsch followed by a free goal for Benton, raising the score to 18-4.

Loomis then added another basket Centralia's tally. After much passing, fumbling, and running around the gym. B. Root came to the fore and shot a goal.

Davis made Benton's last basket soon after Webster was put in. Nine minutes after the half began, R. Root and Waggoner were substituted for B. Root and Cruzen, two minutes later. With 3 subs in for Centralia, the game was a little more interesting; Benton however could not hold Centralia down. The game ended with a basket by Webster making the score 40-6.

GIRLS GYM CLASS HAS BEEN ORGANIZED

CLASS OF 60 GIRLS FORMED — FOLK DANCING AND CALISTHENICS TAKEN UP.

The first step toward the annual May festivities was taken last Friday night when nearly sixty girls enrolled in the gymnasium class which is under the direction and supervision of Miss Mitchell.

This class will meet, as last year, at three forty-five, on the third floor, every Tuesday and Thursday. The bulk of its work will consist of calisthenics, work with Indian clubs, and folk dancing. Principal Tubbs will be glad to hear of any second hand pianos which are looking for an owner, it being of little use to put a very good piano up-stairs where it is often so cold.

Most of the members of last year's class have enrolled this year and some of its old stars, such as Jean Fyke, Freda Dardis, Augusta Fike, Bess Johnson, Temple Fike, Margaret Bundy and Helen Fyke are chief assistants in drilling the raw recruits into some semblance of gymnasium order, which at first they sadly lack. Their chief work so far has been to give instruction in hopping successfully the numerous gas pipes without losing step with the rest of the army.

Some of the mysterious of facing, dressing and marching in formation have already been conveyed to the new members of the class and real work in formations and folk dancing will begin just after the holidays. Regulation gymnasium uniform is used in this class.

A pessimist is a man who doesn't read this week's "Sphinx" because he's afraid next week's won't be good.

DELPHICS PRESENT DISTRICT SCHOOL

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM OF DISTRICT SCHOOL AT XMAS TIME GIVEN.

The third program of the Delphic Literary Society, presented Tuesday morning was in recognition of Christmas, an apt representation of a district school at Christmas time.

The assembly platform was converted into a school room, presided over by a stern-eyed stiff necked teacher, Miss Angelina Bostonica Peters. School opened with pandemonium reigning. After quiet had been restored, for the benefit of the visiting board member, Squire Chase, and the mother of "those Jacobs twins," the geography lesson was sung, charts were studied, and then the "Christmas program" began in earnest. Oh, what "pieces" were spoken and with what zest and enjoyment did the school children enter into the spirit of the time, and how they made the building ring with their songs! Among other things, there was a speech by the Squire. Several songs were sung by the entire school among other the round, "Christmas Bells" or as it was sung, "Christmas Bells," and "Ist das Nicht." Betsey Simmons recited with much expression "Twas the Night Before Christmas."

The whole plan of the school was carried out with a great success, and the performers, from the dunce, Ichabod Skilzenhammer, to the studious cissy boy Lazarus Suededunks and the twins, Tholia and Hezikiah Jacobs.

The people who took part in this entertainment are as follows:

Sophronia Amberdextin, Freda Dardis, Blossom Claxton, Madge Tucker, Squire Chase, Carl Whitechurch, Mattidy Jones, Virginia Sullivan, Marie Smearcase, Olive Stoafert, Hezikiah Jacobs, Raymond Smith, Lazarus Suededunks, Harry Davis, Birdie Rutzor, Maymie Prickett, Betsey Jacobs, Esther Rogers, Mrs. Jacobs, Margaret Perry, Huldy Wilkins, Helen Means, Jeremiah Perkins, Arthur Howells, Miss Angelina Bostonica Peters, Beulah Hartley.

After the "program" was over, Santa Claus distributed gifts not only to the pupils of the district school but to all the members of both societies.

BASKET BALL C. T. H. S. vs. GRANITE CITY

TWO BIG GAMES

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Alumni Notes

Mr. Fred McCullough was married Oct. 17 to Miss Gunegriesack of Gibson City. Besides being a graduate of our old high school, Mr. McCullough is a graduate of our state university and at present has charge of an electric light plant in Gibson City.

Mrs. George Perry '06, is visiting in Van Buren, Arkansas with her sister, Mrs. Sam Dent Bell '06. The sisters were formerly May and Rose Meyer of this city.

TO THE ALUMNI EDITOR:

A Christmas Wish.

When Yule tides' merry season's here,

Our thoughts are all quite full of cheer,

And we recall the times gone by
When we were part of a certain High—

A school to which we'll e'er be true,

That has taught me and also you,
How much better with the world to cope

And brighten hearts less full of hope.

I say, as Xmas time draws nigh
Let's cherish this school, you and I,

And wish that every girl and boy
May love it as do you and I.

Elsie Saxon '13.

Urbana, Illinois,

December 14, 1914.

My Dear Editor:—

Permit me to extend to C. T. H. S. my hearty commendation of the proposed "Cen Two Shi" Club, and the plan to award letters for your representatives in the intellectual meets. Personally I should like to suggest a monogram, something like the one on the Seniors' rings to take the place of the letter which you award to athletes.

I surely wish you all success in the May Festival and hope that all the events proposed will be successfully carried out.

We were all sorry to hear of the Shelbyville defeat on the home floor. Let us hope we do not have to experience such a shock again.

With best luck to "The Sphinx" and its staff as well as to the whole C. T. H. S.,

I am

Very sincerely yours,
De Witt Pulcifer '14.

James Millikin University,
December 14, 1914.

Dear Alumni Editor:

Your request for a contribution from me for the Christmas number of the "Sphinx" came to me this morning and I am going to try to fulfill it before I am completely overtaken in the mad rush to get ev-

erything done before vacation.

First of all I want to compliment you people upon your paper. I exhibit it to all my friends with pride in my heart and tell them that "that paper is published by 'my' High School." As you probably know, there is a copy of the "Sphinx" in the University Library, so most people up here are acquainted with the paper, and they always speak well of it.

It seems that this is a time of the year when everyone's thoughts turn towards home, and naturally, when I think of Centralia, I think of the dear old C. T. H. S. I am still vitally interested in every move which the school makes and every stride which it takes to greater glory. Sometimes I think one has to be away from a thing for a while to really appreciate it, and if that is true, my love for C. T. H. S. grows stronger every day.

I want to send you people my greetings for this Christmas, and also I want you to know that I am hoping that this coming New Year may be just full of good things for the school of Cardinal and White.

Very loyally yours,

Harriette L. Cade '13.

To the Alumni Editor,

Sphinx, C. T. H. S.

I am not an Alumnus, having attended high school, but I know something about Centralia schools of the earlier days.

The first school I attended was held in the old Kell store-room on South Locust opposite Kaiser's Mill. The school was in charge of Henrietta Cunningham, whom many people will remember. Soon a new building was erected and we watched the course of construction and helped it along by playing in the sand. The classmates, whom I remember best at this time were Houston Ball, Belle White, Sadie Noleman, James Thorpe and Henry Biddle.

Tradition fixes the first high school in the original West Side School. As teachers, we had a different type from the present; they were tall, lean, high-browed and silk-hatted, with such names as Frohawk and Hall. The young poets of that time made rhymes something like this: "He was so tall, it took six weeks for his hat to fall," just as the inspired rhymists of today write, "Rub-a-dub-dub, three men and a Tubb." Soon the high school was taken to the East Side building where it remained until the Central School was built. After being taught by Mr. Elliot, father of your own C. H. Elliot, we finished the eighth grade under John Hartman, a Centralia product who has made good. In this class were "Johnny" McNeil, Eunice Cogswell, Mina Austin, L. O. Wilson, Charles Heaberlin, Fred Doe,

Hank Lowe, Eva Penn, and numerous others.

It was my desire to go on with the class, but the fates decreed otherwise, and I missed the opportunity of—possibly—making a name for myself. Many times I find myself badly in need of more knowledge but can only sigh and say, "It might have been." Grant Featherling.

Dear Alumni Editor:

Though sunk deep in the cares and woes which accompany old age, and the never-ceasing struggle for the "higher education," I feel I must set aside one brief moment to talk and think of dear old C. T. H. S.

Every week there comes to me, as regular as an insensol, an ever-welcome representative of that worthy institution—the wise old "Sphinx." Eagerly, I tear open the folder, gather all my friends, possessing a keen sense of humor around me, sink back in an easy chair, rarely provided or evident on such an occasion, and read the details of the week just passed in my first Alma Mater.

The unparalleled enthusiasm stirred up by the basket-ball accounts, the intellectual interest stimulated by the literary societies, (no preference shown) and the wit of the jokes, so profusely scattered throughout, it is here my duty to relate. For the first strikes a bond of sympathy always with a Smithite, the second is like unto it and the third takes into account the humor above mentioned. Thus my heart swells with pride when exclamations like "clever," "too cute," "suburb," and the like burst from my listeners.

And so with all praise for the cleverness, loyal spirit and "pep" shown in the "Sphinx" and because of the love that is within me, I send warmest greetings to fair C. T. H. S.

Still its ardent rooster,

Florence M. Eiss.

Smith College.

Northampton,

Mass.

Northwestern University,

Evanston, Illinois.

December 15, 1914.

Dear Alumni Editor:

A very merry Christmas to the "Sphinx" with my heartiest and best wishes for a prosperous and successful new year.

Sincerely,

Pauline Bundy '13.

One of our High School teachers was riding on a street car when the conductor shouted—"Leave by the nearest door."

The teacher looked severely at the conductor and said—"You should say the nearer door."



The Christmas Ship.

The rain wasn't so bad; people can bear rain, even if it is coming down in torrents. It is what happens before the rain which makes it sound either like the merry dance of thousands of Christmas fairies, or makes one see unpleasant things and starts a little cord pulling tight, tighter from one's heart to the doors of the tear room. Sometimes the door refuses to open then one feels worse than ever. That's the way it was with Zura. Even if the door of the tear room would open, she must push it shut, for there was mother to think of. And it was Christmas Eve! Christmas! It might be the twenty-fifth of December but there was no Christmas in this home, or any home in the little village of Montignias, St. Christopher.

Seven years is not very old to show much bravery but there are times when one must be brave; for instance when one is looking across at mother and the firelight flickers and plays on her face, hiding the quivers of the lips which are trying so hard to smile while the three long knitting needles flash back and forth like little flames. Warm socks are being made for the soldiers and for—father. Perhaps, for father, for in war time one isn't always sure whether one has a father or not.

In war time one is hungry—oh, very often. There is no use to go to the cupboard, for the last crumb of brown bread is gone from the shelf.

Christmas! A picture of last Christmas is steadily building itself bit by bit in the fireplace,—first the little shoes, curious parcels peeping over the top; evergreen in large branches over the fireplace; Mother and Father one on each side of the hearth. Zura sees herself hastily unwrapping each new treasure.

She is so intent upon the vision that she does not hear the sound of wheels, but a knock shatters her dream.

Her mother opens the door and a

large basket is pushed through, the door closes and the sound of wheels dies away.

Oh the wonders that can be packed in a brown basket! More wonderful still, at the bottom of the basket is a wee note, Just these few words,—what a Christmas gift!

Note carried by a friend.

Christmas kisses for my brave darlings.

Father.

He had heard of the Christmas Ship from America, but never dreamed it would reach Montignias, St. Christopher in far away Belgium.

Would this picture make us any more thankful here in America, for our many blessings, if we could have seen them then—the mother and child in the dimly lighted room, standing side by side, eyes softly shining, full of wonder and thankfulness, murmuring over and over "America."

Vivian L. Meyers. '16.

His Vigil.

Mother sent me and Bill to bed pretty early tonight, but I don't care, I ain't going to sleep till Santa comes.

I guess Bill don't care much about seem' Santa 'cause he's gone to sleep already.

Say, that wind howls fiercer 'en any old bear I ever heard.

Mother's still got a light in her room. Of course I don't mind the dark, but still I'm glad. It ain't quite so lonesome.

Bill's snoring now. My, it sounds so loud.

There's the tiniest little star that twinkles right over our apple tree out there. I'd like to know what makes it stay up in the sky.

I guess it must be 'bout twelve o'clock now though I ain't heard the clock strike yet.

Mother's turned out her light now. Everything's so still I can hear the clock ticking down the hall.

Bill don't snore any more. I kinda

wish't he would.

There's the queerest shadow over there behind the door.

I'd like to rest my eyes for just a minute, but I guess I'd go to sleep if I did.

There's the clock now—'why, it only struck ten! I'm 'fraid the clock's been stopped for a while. I wonder what makes clocks go, anyhow? And how can they count? Wish't I had one.

Oh! What's that? Aw, Bill, why can't you keep still? You scared me.

This bed feels so warm and nice.

I bet Santa gets pretty cold when he has to ride so far. I hope he brings that little bicycle I wrote him about. Dad said he didn't believe there was any like that. But I guess Old Santa can make one if I tell him. Seems like he can make most anything he wants to.

Wish't I's big as Bill. Seems like the dark hurts my eyes pert near as bad as the sun does, I have to bat 'em so often.

That star over the tree is gone now. I wonder where it went to. I guess it's fallen out. The wind's just hummin' now.

I 'spects it's most morning now. If he don't hurry up, I might get sleepy. But I can stay awake. I guess it-won't-be-long—until——.

Huh?—Yes I'm gettin' up.

Mary Parkinson '15.

It is twelve o. m. I have just come out of the Blackstone theater and now stand on Michigan Boulevard in the great city of Chicago. I look up toward the dim outline of the Art Institute mid falling snow-flakes. A feeling of awe and admiration steals over me and I am glad that I am. That I, a mechanism of clay, should be there on such a night in December and have the good luck to gaze on such a scene, it does not seem possible.

The electric light from the double row of "lamp-posts," struggling to force its way through the dense flakes of snow, falls on the snow-blanketed streets and buildings, reflecting to my eyes millions of sparkling diamonds. A struggle with an unknown power to make myself realize the grandeur of such a combination of the work of man and na-

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ture. How could it be possible?

Try as hard as I can to appreciate this vastness of beauty. I at least give up, consoling myself with the thought that it is probably impossible for a piece of flesh and bone to so conceive the magnitude of such a scene that is almost divine in its being. Only a super-man is able to comprehend it.

Not a person can I see on that great strength of thorough-fare. Suddenly the exerted breathing of a solitary limousine laboriously winding its way up the boulevard through the two-foot snow, breaks the singular stillness of the night. Such a contrast to the thousands of street goers and automobiles that are usually to be seen at even a later hour than this—and I wonder!

And while I am thinking of this extraordinary condition, my eyes fall on two small, hapless, poorly clad children standing and looking at the faded but still red poster of Santa Claus giving toys to Belgian orphans. Then I realize that this December night is Christmas eve.

Curtiss Grison '15.

A Poet's Picture of Liege.

The shades of evening drew near, the wind ceased blowing, the trees rustling, nothing was heard except the rippling of the water; lights burned dimly in neighboring houses; everything became half lost in the dusk. The passengers yawned and said, "We shall be in Liege in an hour."

At that moment, at the foot of the hills, which loomed dark and scarcely visible, two round balls of fire suddenly glared like the eyes of tigers. By the roadside rose a frightful, dark, slender tower, surmounted by a huge flame, that cast a sinister reflection upon forest, rock and ravine. Beyond, hidden in the shadows, was a mouth—a mouth of live coal which suddenly opened and shut, and with a hideous roaring spouted forth a tongue of fire. It was the lighting of the furnaces.

As we drew nearer, the sight was inexpressibly magnificent. All the valley seemed to be in a state of conflagration, smoke issuing from this place, and flames arising from that in fact, we could imagine that a hostile army had ravaged the country, and that twenty districts presented, in the night and darkness, all the aspects and phases of a devastating conflagration—some just catching fire, some shrouded in smoke, others swept or encircled by flames.

This aspect of war is caused by peace—this terrifying similitude, of destruction is the effect of industry.

We had seen the great iron works of Liege.

Francis Rogier '15.

The Imp.

The boat grog struck three long bells. The old captain, swearing with

accustomed ease, made his way to the engine room, lurching every step. The wind swayed the boat to and fro in an unceasing motion and the water splashed restlessly on her hull.

"What in the Sam Hill are you doin'?" he roared. "Go on. Don't ye know we go a cargo aship?"

"Struck," grunted the engineer, wiping his grease-smeared face with a handful of equally black waste. "Can't get out, neither. Freezin' faster—the men can chop."

The captain looked nervously at the ice, then paced up and down the engine room. "Where's Sally? Why haint he up at the wheel?" he asked vacantly.

"Down cussin' the woman. Guess he'll sleep most of the time. I put him to work choppin' a minute ago but he fell out with Clipper. Sally got blooded up some." The engineer fell over the captain's foot, and the captain, taking the hint, left the room.

As he stepped on deck a towled youngster of no age or description sailed out gleefully and balanced herself on the railing which enclosed the deck. "Look here, you Imp. Get off o' there. There aint no water to bury you in now and we can't get near a town to buy a coffin so you'd better walk like decent folks. Get down, I say!" roared the captain as the girl went on grinning at him through her towled hair.

The Imp leaped from the railing to the deck. "Say Cap," she whispered confidentially, "what you goin' to do? Only grub enough to last three days and Sally's fightin' mad. And Jerry's had the men choppin' so long they're starvin'. An I haint a bit pigzish but I've only ate a biscuit since mornin'."

Suddenly she turned and pointed toward the west. A white mist, far in the distance, clouded the moon. The captain looked at it a moment, pulled his beard thoughtfully, and slowly walked to his cabin. The girl followed with a catlike tread, and as the door of the cabin closed she peered through the keyhole. As she looked, her eyes widened and she hit her lips until they bled. But when the captain came out he only saw the Imp dancing wildly down the stairs.

"Better enough coal. Can. Won't only last three days. But Can," the expinner spoke very low to the captain now. "Sally's mean. An' he's workin' the others to bust the stores."

"Better rig up," warned the captain. "See? I got mine." And he held up a bright automatic revolver as he spoke.

The first day passed. The deck hands ate their daily allowance and seemed strangely satisfied. Sally was quiet, even sociable. The captain caught a tighter sold on his revolver and hitched his belt a hole tighter.

Midnight.

A frowsy headed form sneaks into the store room—and in a flash is gone. The store room fills with forms of men. One figure, swaying from side to side, speaks. "Eat all ye can, men" he urges. "We'll get out all right. You won't get found out." And he fills his shirt with biscuits as he speaks.

A small dirty hand snatches the biscuit from the greasy one, then holds it out coaxingly. "Want it—Aw come on. So easy."

The man cursing, lurches forward, but the Imp sidesteps gracefully. "Tomorrow's Christmas," she announces gravely, and slips into the darkness of the hold.

Dawn.

The captain runs wildly down the deck. "Jerry," he gasps, "the stores are gone! Sally's eatin' the last. Come on." The two men rush to the store room. A shadow darkens their path a moment—then is gone. They reach the store room.

"Gimme a bite, Sally, I'm so hungry," pleads a greasy looking boat hand. The rest, weakened from exhaustion, hold out their hands. Sally eats the biscuit he is holding and searches for another in his shirt. "Very good," he grins, and his eyes sink farther back in his skull.

Suddenly a cold, hard object is pressed against Sally's forehead. He cringes—and falls at the feet of the captain. "I didn't get 'em all, he whispers hoarsely. "Only a few."

The captain levels his revolver. "You done it," he snarls. "We was all starvin', even the Imp. You gotta take your medicine."

The pilot sinks almost to the floor, his blooded eyes shut, his hand clutching the feet of the captain. "Cap, don't—"

A click—and a brown hand seizes the arm of the captain. A shot rings through the ceiling of the room.

"Don't worry, Cap," sings out the biscuits in the hold. What's the mat-imp. "I got all the stores 'cent the ter, Sally? You look sorta pale around the gills."

The Imp, grinning effishly, dances from the room, and the captain follows her. They reach the pilot house and the Imp perches on the railing.

"Look, Cap," pointing toward the East. "The star's up! You can see it, and the sky's all clear."

The captain slowly lifts his cap from his head. "Merry Christmas, Imp," he says.

Antonia Fischbacha '15.

A Freshman's view of the new system of discipline in the C. T. H. S.

Every little rule has a meaning all its own.

And if it's disobeyed a little discipline is sown.

So now let every pupil just do his level best.

And when they get through making rules, we'll have a little rest!

A. McM. '18.

New Names.

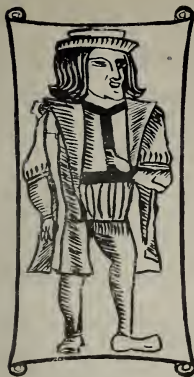
Catherine had drawn two right angles on the board.

Miss Shafer—The angle on this side is a right angle. What is the other one?

Catherine—That is a left angle.

Robert—(n Landscape Gardening)—How shall I sow this seed?

Jessie—Why sew it in long stitches. Oh dear, I said it wrong.



POETS CORNER



Pop Was Old Santa Claus.

One Christmas many years ago,
When Santa was to me the show,
I vowed that this old gent I'd see,
When later he would busy be.

At eight o'clock I skipped for beg.
But lodged upon the steps instead.
And there I stayed and stayed until
The wind shrieked through the window sill.

Then Pop he yawned and said, "I
guess
We'd better fix for Ray and Bess,
Should this we wait till morn to do.
He'd likely wake at half-past two."

Can you imagine my distress,
And how 'twould trouble sister
Bess?

I went to bed and Oh! how blue,
There is no Santa, Boo! hoo! hoo!
Ray Root '17.

What Jimmy Saw.

Las' Christmas time we had more
fun
Than any other kids I know.
An' God or Santy, either one.
Jus' piled the groun' with stocks
c'snow.

I bet you Santy likes to ride
In such a great big sleigh you pull
With reindeers prancin' side by
side
An' crammed with toys an' things
jus' full.

Some kids jus' think they're awful
smart!
They say there aint no Santy Claus;
You bet I take ol' Santy's part,
Why I jus know there is, because

When all was still as still could be,
I hid downstairs by our fireplace
So when ol' Santa came, you see,
Why I could jus' peak out my face,

An' then ol' Santy Claus I see
A scootin' down the chimney wide
An' starts to fill the stockin' three
'First He came.
At we had hung there side by
side.

My mama says, "You dreamed it,

shir."

But I know better'n that, you see,
Cause he tore'd off a piece o' fur,
A'goin' up the chimbley.

May Wallis '16.

Christmas Joys.

You may be feeling lonely and just
a little blue,

Or you may have had some rheu-
matiz and ache clean through and
through.

But when Christmas mornin' rolls
around and the sun shines clear and
bright,

Why every pain has left you, and
your feelin' out of sight.

I remember when I was a kid and
Christmas eve rolled round.

I feared the chimney was awful
small for Santa to come down.

And I heard the reindeer prancin'
on the roof that blessed night.

And I crept down stairs next morn-
in' with the first bright ray of light.

And my stockin' was jost bulgin'
with the things I'd longed so for,

I was just completely satisfied; I
wanted nothing more,

And I'd like to do this all again,
for let me tell you, boys,

That my heart was full of gladness
as my stockin' was of toys.

Tom Reid '16.

Our Real Christmas Gift.

Long ago in Palestine, so the story
goes,

Somewhere there among the hills,
wrapped in swaddling clothes

Was the richest gift of God, sent
to cheer mankind,

And to leave the fettered creeds of
the past behind.

Over road and beaten path, over hill
and lea,

Christ, the gift to humankind, went
to make men free.

He was true unto the last, even on
the cross—

Even as He climbed the hill,
spurning worldly dross.

Tho the centuries come and go,
He remains the same,

Loving all of human kind as when
'First He came.

So as wise men brought their gifts
on that Christmas day,

Let us for the Master bring some

bright joyous lay;

As the Father gave His gift to a
waiting earth,

Let us give our gifts,—commemo-
rate His Birth.

Yes let all mankind rejoice with
the Yule-tide joy.

Human hearts are beating yet, free
from base alloy.

Anna Frank '16.

Her Choice.

It was year before last on Christmas
And she couldn't decide at all,

Whether to go to church with us
Or go to the dance with Paul.

II

She knew she had promised the
precher

Some few short weeks ago,
That as she was the primary teacher

She'd see that the children sang
"so."

III

But you see then again she saw Paul
She'd seen him a few hours ago,

Standing before her so great and tall
And she knew she hadn't said "No."

IV

Can you guess what she finally decid-
ed?

Well then you can just ask Paul.
For he certainly did tell "Brother

Ned,"

That "love" always "wins" over
"all."

Gladys Goodman '16.

The Shepherds.

Some shepherds watching on the
hills of fair Judea one night,

Beheld a-far off in the sky a bright
and wondrous light.

Then suddenly, they saw a host of
angels bright and fair,

Singing hymns of praise as they
descended thru the air:

The wondrous shepherds' hearts
were filled with praise and untold
fear,

As breathlessly they waited there
the wondrous news to hear.

"Fear not," the angels said to them
in accents clear and mild,

"We came to tell about the birth of
Christ the Holy Child."

The shepherds rose rejoicing then
and hastened in to find

The Saviors that was sent unto
the world and all mankind.

Anna Hadley '16.

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The "Sphinx" needs to carry out a policy of its own, to impress upon its readers that such a policy is being carried out. It should be dictated by the school and should be chosen to promote the best interests of everyone connected with the school, the faculty and alumni as well as the students.

Perhaps a good aim for the "Sphinx" would be this: to boost the school and to keep its readers, especially the alumni and the students, in a boosting frame of mind.

Any school paper that carries out such a policy will be a great benefit and not a handicap to the best interests of the school.

Alden Perrine, '16.

The members of the staff wish to extend their sincerest thanks for the hearty spirit of cooperation displayed by everyone toward this edition of the "Sphinx." With scarcely a single exception, no person who was asked to contribute toward this number, failed to do so. Jokes rolled in by the dozen, twice as many poems and

stories worthy of notice were turned in as the somewhat limited space allowed for, and the members of the typewriting classes wrote for hours to get the material in shape for the printer. Not the least of the loyal supporters of the school are the advertisers. Their readiness to assist in the publication of our paper, deserves our hearty patronage.

To everyone, and especially to the earnest and faithful supporters of every school enterprise, we offer our heartiest wishes for a very merry Christmas.

In that far-away night more than nineteen hundred years ago, in the humble silence of a lonely manager in the little town of Bethlehem, of Judea, there came to pass, in a world weary from sin and despair, a miracle. Led by the brightness of one shining star three wise men, filled with trust and a wondering gladness, came to the hallowed place where lay a new-born babe. With a love and homage surpassing all things, they brought rich gifts to their "king."

Humbly, patiently a crown of thorns upon his head, his feet bruised and bleeding, the gentle, sad-eyed, boy-man traveled life's rough pathway to the cross, never flinching in his courage, never failing in his love.

And by the birth of a little child and the life and love of a toney man, the words "Peace on earth, good will toward men" came to be the watchword of the nations.

But now, when the bells peal forth on Christmas morning 1914 to commemorate the birth of the harbinger of Love and Peace on earth, to bring joy to the hearts of all, they will mark one of the saddest Christmases in the history of the world. Our neighboring nations are at war,—at war to kill; they are engaged in the greatest conflict of the ages; they are still in that barbaric state as was Napoleon when he desired to conquer the world. The act of a madman in assassinating the Crown Prince of Austria, has plunged the Christian world into this war. A million men, the flower of the nations, have already paid the death penalty for the wanton act of an assassin. The fact that Christ was born has restrained countless numbers from rushing into strife before this, but the watchword seems forgotten. Love must conquer hate, courage overcome fear, harmony rule discord. Miracles have happened: the days of miracles have not passed; Christmas must be a day of rejoicing.

Media Hankins, '15.

Bess—See how fast my pulse is beating.

Madge (absently feeling her pulse)—Your pulse is ninety-eight, reduced from a dollar. Oh, I mean—

The First Step.

Friend—I hear your son is going to be a musician. What professor have you got for him?

Mr. Davis—We haven't got one yet. We are just letting his hair grow now.

Rosettas

The last few cold days have given C. T. H. S. students some fine skating on Lake Spurrior.

A paper baler has been purchased by the school. After it has paid for itself, it is expected to produce a profit of twenty or twenty-five dollars a year.

A picnic supper for the benefit of the International Correspondence School was held at High School last Thursday evening.

Some frogs have arrived for use in the Zoology class.

The members of the English IV. A. class are writing essays, and Miss Brunton expects to develop a new Carlyles sometime in the future.

A debate on Socialism was given Thursday in Oral English. The affirmative side was supported by Antonia Fischbach, Sula Brown, Katary Miller and Oral Cruzen. Those opposed to them were Leon Sherman, Jessie Beaver, Myrtle Miller, and Augusta Fike. The affirmative won.

The Music Class has learned a number of Christmas songs, and is preparing to give a special program for the assembly.

"Away to the Woods," a song arranged for a chorus, is being learned by those who like to sing. This song was sung at the 1913 Commencement, under the direction of Miss Neuhaus.

Genevieve Ledford is back in school after spending three weeks in St. John's Hospital in St. Louis.

Neve McRoy, Pauline Hoag, Eda Hediger and Dollie Barron are clerking in Woolworth's during the Christmas rush.

Miss Mayme Farris, a cousin of Curtis Grissom and George and Farris English, visited school Tuesday. Her home is in Vienna, Illinois.

Last year's Championship Basketball team played the Mt. Vernon 1913 Championship team Thursday at Turner Hall, and defeated them by a large margin.

Mr. F. F. Stables, our last year's coach visited town last week. He attended the Shelbyville game.

Raymond Pfeiffer is at home on account of illness.

Velma Bullock '16 is absent these days, being away on a trip to Florida.

Robert Robertson '17 is back in school again after a severe siege of tonsillitis.

The Sophomore girls won from the Freshman girls Tuesday after school by a score of 6-2 score. The fastness of play is shown by the fact that during the game Harold Payne's whistle was chewed out of commission.

Word received from Farris English, ex '15, reveals the information that he has been elected to the debating team of the Washington, D. C. high school which he attends. His C. T. H. S. friends all know that he can ably hold down his part of the bargain

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The Chapel exercises have become more interesting by a suggestion made by Mr. Tubbs, that of reviving the songs, "Away to the Woods," and others that the chorus sang at the Commencement exercises two years ago.

The Music class has taken up the study of the life of some great composers. Next semester the class will start on the study of the great operas. Library department contains good material, and your exchange notes are certainly alive.

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Mr. Trout—"1-2, 3, 4, 5,—yes I think you're all here. Now please stop talking and listen to me. I want to get all over the lesson today.

Ray-O—oh, my, I'm so sleepy.

Mr. Trout—Freda, you will please take the front seat. What is the Divine Origin, Mary?

Mary—(looking queer)—Why -a-I-

Mr. Trout—I mean Mary Bel'e alright you can explain it, Louis.

Jessie—(waving her hand wildly)—

—Oh, he don't know it. I know it. It's the origin of power from God.

Ray—Oh, my! do-we-have-it?

Mr. Trout—Have what?

No answer.

Mr. Trout—Ray, wake up.

Mr. Trout—I think we all understand divine origin now. Freda, please put your gum in the waste basket. Antonia, what do you think of it?

Antonia—(slyly)—I think it will

stick to the sides of the waste basket.

Mr. Trout—Tom, what is your idea?

Tom—I think its going to be too wet for a big crowd at the game tonight.

Mr. Trout—I want this foolishness stopped. I want to talk some more.

Harold—(whispering)—I thought he wanted the foolishness stopped.

Enter Mr. Tubbs.

Mr. Trout—(boldly)—What are the methods used by the U. S. postal service?

Silence.

Mr. Trout—(nervously pulling out his hair)—

Now you know they give contracts to companies or persons for distributing mails? All right, Robert.

Robert—Yeh—I know all about it. The U. S. gives contracts to companies or persons for distributing mails.

Mr. Tubbs—Is Percy here? He is wanted at the telephone.

Exit Mr. Tubbs. Exit Percy.

Mr. Trout—Now we will have a test Friday. It will be very easy. You shall be in I lege in an hour.

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Class—That's so easy.

Re-enter Percy.

Mr. Trout—Percy, we will have a test Friday on everything we know. Goldie—That sure will be an easy test.

Class—Yes, sir, first one.

Mr. Trout—You will have fifteen taken from your grade for whispering. The lesson will be five chapters in advance. That is a short lesson but I want to talk on another theory tomorrow. All sit up straight now. All right you may go.

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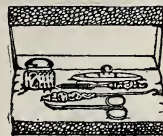
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"Well," said Miss Fuller, absently. "It's very bad. Rub it out and draw it over again."

Mr. Trout—What is chivalry?

Lillian—Chivalry is when you are cold.

"Ray," said Miss Mitchell sternly. "When you passed me yesterday why didn't you take off your hat?"

"I didn't have my hat on," said Ray. "Why how can you say so? I saw you," said Miss Mitchell.

"I know you saw me," answered Ray. "But you didn't see my hat. That was my brother's hat I had on."

Miss Riebel—Explain the manufacture of a barometer and its actions at different levels.

Bright Student—To make a barometer, close a glass tube at both ends and then pour the mercury in. If you take it up a mountain it goes up. If you take it down a mountain it goes down.

Two bright Sophomores were coaxing Edwin Tubbs to kiss a certain girl.

"Go on," said one of them, "I'll give you a nickel if you will."

"No, I don't want to," explained Edwin.

Mr. Gunther was walking behind "Why Edwin, do, I would if I were you."

Old Man (who had known Jean since childhood). Well, well you've changed so, I hardly know you.

Jean—For better, or for worse?

Old Man—Oh, You could only change for the better.

Friend—What do you want for Xmas?

High School girl—I want a watch bracelet, a diamond ring, a motor car, a jacket, a new silk dress, and a necklace.

A week later.

Friend—What did you get for Xmas?

High School girl—I got the cutest tatting handkerchief.

Of Course.

Carl—You know, I couldn't see a woman stand up while I was sitting.

Ray—So you got up and gave her your seat?

Carl—No. I closed my eyes.

Miss B (In English IV)—What is an eclipse?

Bright Senior—It happens when the sun comes between her and the moon.

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Yours hopefully,
Temple Fike.

Dear Sandy:

Please bring me a big box of interest in the Iris Literary Society, and some hair restorer to keep my hair from turning gray.

Your dignified little chump,
Jamie Willie Armstrong.
P. S. I will go to bed early and won't peep.

Dear Santie Clause:

I am a little boy eight years old, an I want some tobacco and a pipe, an a pop-gun so I can learn to shoot snipes next year. That's all except a hunting coat and what I want most is a gurl.

Cert yours,
Louis Beaver,
C. F. G. Mascot.

Dear Mr Claus:

For a year I have been awful good and haven't had to sit on the front seat a tall. Please bring me a book named "ach?i- lees," a knife and a pencil so I won't have to always steal one. Don't forget my girl in Ashiey.

Yours with my lessons,
Pettie Feniks Skillman.

Deer Mrs. Santy:

Knowing who's the head of the household, I am writing to the right person to get what I want. I want to find a way to rule Miss Riebel without the use of cold water and lots of order in the Assembly Hall the seventh hour.

Yours conscientiously
Eva Mitchell.

Dear Santie:

Please bring me a dear little kitten for Xmas, a rubber band to shoot mit, and a pare of crutches to play B. B. with. Don't forget my little friend James.

From little Byron Root,
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Dear Mrs. Clause:

i am a little fat boy and for Xmas please fetch me a pair of shoes that won't squeak, a basket ball-team, letters three times a day instead of once from my girl back home, and lots of order in my classes.

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 Nov. 2.—Mr. Tubbs on "Concentration."
 Nov. 4.—We are the big leaders. Our team wins—Rah! Rah!
 Nov. 5.—"The Reward of Thrift," at the Lyric. All students please go!
 Nov. 6.—Chapel. Benton isn't so much! We should worry; and weep!
 Nov. 8.—Mock trial, large oratory. Much sobbing of widows. Much fighting among attorneys.
 Nov. 10.—"Patronize your advertisers!" Front board decorations.
 Nov. 11.—Mysterious teachers' meeting. Such a nervousness.
 Nov. 12.—More meetings. We have a lecture from the platform
 Nov. 13.—Damp and wet-like. More umbrellas missing.
 Nov. 16.—German Club.
 Nov. 17.—War program. Cute little ambassadors. We learn things.
 Nov. 18.—Thanksgiving number will be here. Please notice!
 Nov. 19.—Vacation.
 Nov. 20.—More vacation. Basketball game.
 Nov. 21.—Work.
 Nov. 22.—More work—church. The

editor has a birthday.

Nov. 23.—Teachers' meetings. Chloroform administered to relieve minds of students.

Nov. 24.—Great event. Vacation some more announced. The Sophomore "Sphinx."

Nov. 25.—Thanksgiving program.

Nov. 26.—Turkey etc.

Nov. 27.—More turkey.

Nov. 28.—Dressing from turkey.

Nov. 29.—Hash.

Nov. 30.—More hash

Dec. 1.—Great show expected. Last of turkey hash. Only 25 days till Xmas!

Dec. 2.—Mr. Brancroft's speech. See Mr. Tubbs smile!

Dec. 3.—Buy your Xmas number early.

Dec. 4.—Debating club decided upon. Can we beat Mt. Vernon? Well I guess.

Dec. 5.—We hear of defeat from Collinsville. Our boys should also learn to dance.

Dec. 7.—Damp. Only 19 more days till Xmas. Do your studying early.

Dec. 8.—Delphic program. Earnest

debate on our discipline. What's the matter with it, anyway?

Dec. 9.—Everybody buys a Xmas number. Who says we haven't loyalty? "Sphinx" program

Dec. 10.—Glee Club selections for the Assembly.

Dec. 11.—Big game. We are beaten. It rains.

Dec. 12.—Work. 13 more days till Xmas.

Dec. 14.—Cold and snowy.

Dec. 15.—Iris program. Much applause.

Dec. 16.—Green paint ! ! !

Dec. 17.—"Away to the woods," Xmas is coming.

Suffragettes.

Teacher—What was the head of the family called?

May—Chief.

Teacher—And what the daughter called?

May—Mischievous.

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MANY B. B. GAMES
DURING THE WEEKC. T. H. S. PLAYS SIX GAMES DURING
HOLIDAY WEEK—
HARD SCHEDULE.

Holiday week brought to C. T. H. S. in basket ball some defeats and some victories. Playing one of the hardest schedules arranged, the defenders of the Cardinal and White went into six games within a week, coming out victorious in only one. Too many hard games in such close succession kept the boys from displaying their usual vim and "pep," though straining every muscle for C. T. H. S.

Granite City 16, C. T. H. S. 10.

In the two games played Christmas afternoon, Granite City and C. T. H. S. broke even. In the first game, which was played with Granite City leading, 16-10, the enemy took the aggressive from the start, excelling in goal shooting, and forcing C. T. H. S. to take the defensive; they had things for a while just about as they wanted them. The first half, however, ended with Granite City totaling 6 points to C. T. H. S. 10 tallies.

The second half proved to be a little more scrappy. C. T. H. S. put up a plucky fight, but seemed unable to best her taller opponents.

C. T. H. S. 20, Granite City 16.

In the second part of the double-header, the C. T. H. S. boys gloriously redeemed themselves by defeating Granite City by a 20-16 score. Coming back into the game with a determination to repeat her previous performance, Granite City again started the scoring and soon built up another lead. C. T. H. S., however, unwilling to suffer a second defeat, valiantly strove to regain her lost colors. With a speed showing excellent teamwork, the ball passed from one end of the field to the other. In spite of the team play exhibited, however, C. T. H. S. seemed unable to overcome the lead, and when the whistle blew ending the first half, Granite City again led, 8-4.

During the second half, however, the positions changed. After a game and a half of nerve-straining battle, C. T. H. S. forged ahead. The last fifteen minutes of that game there was an exhibition of real basket ball, true goal shooting, swift teamwork, strong guarding. The C. T. H. S. team regarded itself gloriously, gradually bringing the score up to its 20-16 mark. B. Root shooting four field goals.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Jan. 13, 14, 15—Inter-Society Preliminary try-outs.

January 25—Inter-Society Contest.

February 19—Hillsboro plays here.

February 28 and 29 — Tournament here.

Du Quoin 25, C. T. H. S. 13.

In a scrappy game on the home floor Tuesday night, C. T. H. S. fell before Du Quoin by a 25-13 score. Starting out with a rush, Du Quoin began the scoring and had things her way throughout the game, keeping a steady climb toward victory. With the score standing 9-0 for Du Quoin, Loomis placed Centralia's first basket on a free throw. By making a determined spurt and by pulling off some excellent team plays, C. T. H. S. raised the score until at the end of the half Du Quoin led by one point, 10-9.

Anna 20, C. T. H. S. 18.

In a rough and tumble game at Anna Wednesday, C. T. H. S. lost another govt by a narrow margin, 20-18. The game was a hot and scrappy one, as is testified by the score, which see-sawed between the two teams throughout the game. C. T. H. S. leading at the end of the first half. In the second half, however, the playing of the Anna boys won out for them and the score was decided in their favor, 20-18.

Du Quoin 36, C. T. H. S. 5.

The next night, Thursday, on Du Quoin's home floor, C. T. H. S. was again forced to dip her colors, being swamped by a 36-5 score. No excuses allowed! C. T. H. S. was simply defeated, one feature of the game being the lack of field goal shooting by C. T. H. S. The home boys put up a plucky fight, but tired from the preceding games, they were unable to cope with the superior strength of the Du Quoin team. Hence, the score. Du Quoin has a fast bunch of players, the best in years, and any team would have to be in the best of trim to defeat them. In spite of the one-sided score, the game was a good exhibition of basket ball, and was more interesting than the score would seem to indicate.

Carlyle 15, C. T. H. S. 14.

Saturday night on the home floor in an exciting game before a small crowd of rooters, by a single point's difference, C. T. H. S. lost to Carlyle, 15-14.

The playing throughout the game was fast and furious, with the score sometimes tipping the scales for C. T. H. S., sometimes for Carlyle. Carlyle started the scoring by a point by Kahert on a foul throw. C. T. H. S. soon tied the score by a throw by Loomis. Not much scoring was done by either team, the half ending with C. T. H. S. ahead, 7-6.

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GERMAN CLUB GIVES
CHRISTMAS PLAYMEMBERS OF GERMAN III CLASS
PRESENT "EIGINSINN" FOR
GERMAN CLASSES.

The German Club entertained all the members of the German classes Wednesday, Dec. 23, at a very interesting Christmas party. The entertainment for the evening was in the form of a play, "Eiginsinn," by Roderick Benedict, presented by the third year German class, whose members did remarkably well in their interpretation of the play.

The cast of characters was as follows:

Emma (bride), Alfred (groom) of three months, Jean Fyke, John Finch.

Lisbeth and Heinrich, lovers and servants of Emma and Alfred, Florence Gatt, Charles Underwood.

Katherine and Ausdorf, parents of Emma, Florence Saxer, Alden Perrine.

The play opens showing Lisbeth and Heinrich setting the table for breakfast, to which Emma's parents have been invited. Upon finishing his task, Heinrich remarks "Gott sei dank, der Tisch ist gedeckt," and requests Lisbeth to repeat this, but she refuses and a quarrel ensues. Later on, Alfred having overheard this quarrel, tells his wife, and as she thinks Lisbeth was in the right, the controversy results in a quarrel between Alfred and Emma. At this point Emma's parents arrive. At the breakfast table Alfred relates in detail the quarrel between Lisbeth and Heinrich, and Emma and himself. Of course Katherine sympathizes with Emma, and a third quarrel arises between Katherine and Ausdorf, her husband. Finally Lisbeth, the original cause of the trouble, comes in, and after the promise of her trousseau from Emma, Lisbeth accidentally remarks, "Gott sei dank." All are greatly amused that she has uttered the first part of the sentence which caused so much trouble, and she finishes it with "der Tisch ist gedeckt," and runs out of the room.

After play the whole assemblage was led into the hall, where a gaily decorated Christmas tree stood. Hung upon the tree were generously filled stockings, one of which was given to each person present. At the foot of the tree were heaped presents for the members of the German Club and also for the guests. Among the presents

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During the past week that plucky bunch of players, the C. T. H. S. basketball team, has had some strenuous battles, coming out victorious in some of them, and with the small end of the score in others. In seeming defeats or in glorious victories the courage displayed by the team and their determination to win deserve the loyal support of all the friends of C. T. H. S. and of her far-famed ardent rooters.

But have they had this support which they deserved? Have they had this rooting which they needed? In defeat as well as in victory does a team need encouragement and appreciation. It is the spirit displayed in the face of a disappointment or a defeat which shows the mettle of which men are made. It is easy to support a team which always wins, it is easy to cheer a team on to victory, but the loyal rooter is the one who remains loyal through failure or success, and can still sing "Centralia Loyalty," however over-balanced the scales may be in favor of the enemy. It should be basketball for the honor of the school, for the joy of the sport, and not merely basketball to gain a higher score.

MANY B. B. GAMES

DURING THE WEEK

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In the second half Waggoner relieved Sherman, and Webster took Reid's place at forward. Kahler again began the scoring by placing a basket for the enemy, and Carlyle slowly forged ahead. C. T. H. S., however, fought spiritedly and soon raised the score to its position at the end of the game, 15-14 in favor of Carlyle.

ROSETTES

Mr. Arthur L. Trout, our very popular athletic coach, and a member of the C. T. H. S. faculty, was quietly married in Bloomington, Ind., December 24th, to Miss Freda Lucile Sears of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Trout were given a hearty reception by a number of the C. T. H. S. students on their arrival home, December 28.

Miss Mable Murdin, '14, entertained 35 of her girl friends Tuesday, December 29, at a theater party, after which they returned to the Murdin home, where a dainty lunch was served by the hostess. The Misses Ferdananda Bartenheier of St. Louis and Dolores McNally of Joliet were out-of-town guests.

Miss Jean Fyke, '15, gave a delightful luncheon to about 40 girl friends, Thursday, December 31. Cards were the feature of entertainment, prizes being awarded to the winners.

Miss Kathryn Higgins entertained a large number of girl friends at her beautiful home, Glen Crescent, Tuesday, December 29. Cards and a dainty four-course dinner were enjoyed by the young ladies. Quite a large number of out-of-town guests were present, among whom were Misses Gena Martin and Helen McMackin of Salem, Ferdananda Bartenheier, Amy and Grace Guildehaus of St. Louis, Dolores McNally of Joliet and Maxine Hays of Mounds.

Miss Evelyn Westbrook, '12, entertained a party of girl friends at a dainty luncheon Wednesday, December 30. The afternoon was devoted to cards.

Miss Jessie Beaver, '15, entertained a large party of girl friends January 2, at her home on North Hickory street. Cards and an elaborate four-course dinner were features of the entertainment.

The second team journeyed to Vandalla and swamped that team Saturday night by a 42-19 score. What the second team lacked in size was made up by a much greater familiarity with the game and by some very fast teamwork.

FIFTY YEARS AGO.

Crowded around the stove in the little country store sat Farmer Stevens, Jim Robinson, Moses Jackson and Grandpa White. It was a cold October night and but few yards had been told among the men.

Suddenly Jim Robinson piped out in his thin, squeaky voice, "I wonder what'll be doin' over at the old place tomorrow night?"

No answer came, the only sound noticeable was Farmer Stevens setting his jaws down just a little harder, that he might produce a louder smack on his wad of tobacco.

Testing his chair against the counter, Grandpa White began to hum and haw, meaning, of course, that he had something to say. After reflecting a while, and refilling his mouth with tobacco, he drawled out, "Can't tell you, Jim, but I know pretty durned well what we did over yonder fifty years ago."

Silence reigned; and Grandpa White needed no urging to relate his story.

"Twas mighty near as pretty a night as ever was, moon a shinin', and the air so still. Wal!—we had a time,

haw! haw! it makes me laugh yet. Ten of us fellers met over at our place behind the barn. Maw and Paw thought I was in bed, but that idea didn't strike me as bein' good, so I climbed outer the window into the apple tree, thus makin' my get-away.

"After repayin' all the debts we owed to numerous old maids in the village, we still had old man Grabby to settle with. He never would let us get any of his nuts,—preferred his pigs 'd have 'em. We went over in the holler and got a long plank and carried it over to Grabby's place. A slippin' up we stood the board agin the door and then knocked. Gosh A'mighty, how we did scatter! Then, when the old man came to the door the plank fell in on him. We all laughed from behind the trees where we were hidin', and he snapped out at us:

"I know you, you low-down rascals, and I'll settle with yer paws for this."

"Nothing but that would have turned us, but THAT certainly did. Mig Adams meekly suggested that we go home and get to bed faster than the dickens.

(To be continued.)

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ALUMNI NOTES

Rowena and Justin Kohl, '14 and '13, Bertha Erbes, Esther Storer, '14, Burnham Walraven, '12, Harold Westbrook, '14, who attend the University of Illinois, have returned to Champaign, after spending the holidays at home.

Thelma Gilpin, '14, has returned to Carbondale after spending her vacation with home folks.

Miss Dorothy Bundy, '11, has returned to Madison, Wisconsin, after spending the holidays with her parents.

Miss Florence Eis, '11, who spent the holidays here, has returned to Northampton, Mass., where she attends Smith College.

De Witt Puleipher, '14, who attends the U. of I., spent the holidays with relatives in Paul's Valley, Okla.

Delos Brown, '12, Wallace Holcomb, '12, Harriet Cade, '13, Nellis Parkinson, '11, all of James Milliken U., returned to Decatur after spending the holidays here.

George Walraven, '12, who attends James Milliken U., took a trip to Cuba during the holidays, also visiting many points of interest in southern United States.

Miss Lucile Marshall, '13, has returned to Northwestern U., after spending the holidays with her parents.

Miss Pauline Bundy, '13, will be unable to continue her work at Northwestern U. this semester on account of illness.

Reinhardt Egger, '12, has returned to Columbia U., after spending his vacation here.

Miss Ruth Bradley will resume her studies in Chicago after a short visit here with her mother.

Miss Elsie Saxer, '13, has returned to St. Louis after spending the holidays with home folks.

John Saxer of the U. S. Navy has returned to his work after a short visit here.

Harry Toothaker, '12, of Sandoval, visited friends here during the holidays.

Miss Maxine Hays of Mounds was the guest of Miss Evelyn Westbrook, '12, during the holidays.

GERMAN CLUB GIVES CHRISTMAS PLAY

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were many musical instruments, and after these were distributed a band was formed which rendered many classical selections.

At the close of this musical program refreshments were passed around in various forms; oranges in bushel baskets, and candy, popcorn and other confections were placed upon bountifully filled tables. The rest of the evening was taken up with various games.

Take Notice.

A divorce case. Scandalous! While playing basket ball the other evening the hair of Mr. Percy Loomis parted!

Jean: I want some glue.

Aaron: What for?

Jean: Oh, I just want to stick around.

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SQUIBLETS

How True.

Tom: I received a very popular book for Christmas.

Robert: Is it read much?

Tom: Oh, it's looked into quite a bit. It's a pocketbook.

The Eternal Feminine.

Of all the animals in the Garden of Eden, Eve loved the cotton-tail rabbit the best. The first day she saw it she clapped her hands with joy and cried out, "Oh, the darling little powder puff!"

Freshie: What is a phenomenon?

Senior: A phenomenon, my child, is that kind of a student which shall inhabit these walls four years and not die if he lives according to the rules of discipline recently installed.

From a Teacher, Too!

Miss Mitchell: I always said that nine tenths of all platform work is bluff, and I still consist on it!

A Lot of Original Jokes.

A capital joke—J-O-K-E.

A passable joke—J—"O. K."-e.

A tipsy joke—"Nothin' doin'.

A standing joke—J

O

K

E

Half a joke—Jo.

The other half—ke.

Gingham, Calico, Satin, Lawn;
High School's Coat Herd almost gone.

Some New Year's Resolutions.

Madge—To be an editor only once.

Harry—To make all the class help.

Mr. Tubbs—To have lots of discipline.

Tommy—To use peroxide.

Antonia—To quit working.

Mr. Trout—To never do it again.

Miss Mitchell—To teach English I never again.

Gussie—To study all the English possible.

Miss Riebel—To introduce simplified spelling.

Bess: I think travel broadens one, don't you?

Jean: Oh, yes. I gained twelve pounds while I was gone this summer.

The rose is red.

The violet blue.

If you think these are old,
Please bring me some new.

The Kind.

Miss Mitchell was drilling the girls for a play. One girl rushed around several times, calling out each time, "What am I?"

"You're a supe," answered Miss Mitchell.

"What kind of a supe?" asked the girl, trying to be funny.

"Noodle supe, of course," responded Miss Mitchell promptly.

Alas!

Antonia (reading): This book says there are fourteen original jokes.
Kind friend: How sad it is that you haven't found the other thirteen! (Relations now strained.)

LYRIC THEATRE

Thursday, Jan. 7.—Episode No. 5 of

"The Master Key," also "Mary Jane Entertains," in two parts, with Flora

Finch and Hughie Mack, and a good

Kalem comedy.

Friday, Jan. 8—"The Child Thou

Gavest Me," a good Biograph drama.

Saturday, Jan. 9—"The Kings Move

in the City," in two reels, with Marc

MacDermott. This is the first adven-

ture of the Young Lord Stranleigh se-

ries.

GEM THEATRE

Thursday, Jan. 7.—Mary Alden and Spottiswoode Aitken in "The Old Fisherman's Story."

Friday, Jan. 8.—Zudora, episode 3. "The Mystery of the Dutch Cheese Maker." Also Ed Coxen and Winifred Greenwood in "When a Woman Waits."

Saturday, Jan. 9.—Mignon Anderson and Morris Foster in "Lucy's Elopement."

Monday, Jan. 11.—Little Thelma Salter in "A Flower in the Desert."

Tuesday, Jan. 12.—J. Barney Sherry in "The Deadly Spark."

Wednesday, Jan. 13.—Fred Burns and Irene Hunt in "A Banakie Maiden."

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STUDENTS HEAR TALK BY PHYSICIAN

DR. W. A. STOKER GIVES INSTRUCTIVE TALK ON "HOW TO KEEP WELL"

During chapel Monday morning Dr. W. A. Stoker gave a very interesting and instructive talk on "How to Keep Well." Dr. Stoker complimented C. T. H. S. students upon their robust appearance.

Dr. Stoker said that the Chinese pay doctors to keep them well and not to heal them. Then when a Chinaman becomes sick the doctor's pay stops until he is again cured. Thus it is seen that Chinese doctors must try to prevent diseases before they become serious. This same idea of prevention is being gradually accepted by the entire civilized world.

"To help this spirit," said Dr. Stoker, "doctors should not be regarded like salvation—free, but your troubles should be taken to him while they are yet small. You should not wait until they become serious and then expect them to be properly cured in a few days. Many of the most terrible epidemics, as smallpox, which was formerly an incurable disease, are cured by prevention."

Typhoid is another great pestilence that visits the world to a great extent and yet may be prevented by the proper means, vaccination. The U. S. Army has tested this step thoroughly and has found that it will make a person immune for about three years. In some cases the typhoid germ has caused sickness every year until preventive measures were taken. The means of filtering city water has acted as a protection from this disease, as the water that is found in most wells is infected to some degree. Where previously purified water cannot be had, the water may be boiled.

In dealing with tuberculosis Dr. Stoker says that the only cure is an abundance of fresh air. And again, in accordance with our modern ideas of prevention, he argues that we should sleep in well ventilated rooms, with the windows raised.

Cleanliness is also an important factor in the prevention of disease. Especially in cooking must this cleanliness be observed. Dr. Stoker tells us that to obtain the required cleanliness and a knowledge of proper cooking, girls should study Domestic Science.

SOCIETY TRYOUTS TO BE HELD THIS WEEK

PRELIMINARY CONTESTS SET FOR WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY EVENINGS.

The schedule for the tryouts between the Iris and Delphic literary societies was posted Monday. In accordance with last year's rules these preliminary tryouts the best possible material from the two societies will be selected to participate in the final Inter-Society contest. Judges for the preliminaries will be chosen from the townspeople.

The final contest between the societies will be held Feb. 25. Each society is striving hard to get the best possible material into the preliminaries in preparation for this contest. Out-of-town judges will be on duty on this occasion. The winners in the different events will then have another contest before them, which will be thrown open to the members of the school. Anyone, whether a member of a literary society or not, will be allowed to take part in this contest. These winners will be sent to take part in the Intellectual meet at Carbondale in May.

The different events for which tryouts will be held are the following: Boys' vocal solo, girls' vocal solo, instrumental solo, boys' declamation, girls' recitation, oration, extempore, debate. Tryouts in music will be held Wednesday, Jan. 13, after school, in the following order: Boys' solo, girls' solo, piano solo.

Thursday evening tryouts for the declamation, recitation and oration will be held. Friday evening extempore and debate tryouts will conclude the preliminaries and the winners in the two societies will then come together on Feb. 25.

Why Does He So Speak?

Mr. Trout: Here's a picture of a man who was the daughter of Joacin.

Same Man (explaining the position of a certain character in a picture): Yes, he was supposed to be a benevolent man with a long white beard in one corner.

Mr. Trout: I now see a demonstration of perpetual motion. (He was looking at Jessie and Freda.)

Looking Forward.

Mr. Trout: The Hawaiian Islands were annexed to the United States in 1994.

NEW RESOLUTIONS ARE SET FORTH BY IRIS

"NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS" IS SUBJECT OF THE IRIS PROGRAM.

The fourth section of the Iris Literary Society gave its program in the Assembly Hall Friday morning. The main theme of the program was "New Year's Resolutions." Class representatives laid class resolutions before the societies, Margaret Bundy ably representing the Sophomores in a very interesting and amusing talk, and Antonia Fischbacha speaking for the Seniors with some very helpful hints. If the suggestions made were only carried out, a marked improvement might be noted.

Marguerite Shanklin gave an interesting talk on "A New Printing Press" for C. T. H. S. and the uses to which it could be put, pointing out its necessity in the near future. Charles Kinane then came forward with the suggestion of a new gym which C. T. H. S. is in need of.

Carrying out the plan of the program still further, Marie Thomas gave a good rendition of the poem, "Measure Yourself."

As another goal which should be set for the new year William Belamy gave an extempore on "Winning the Basket Ball Championship." The spirit which is felt by the entire school in regard to the tournament was felt in this speech.

This speech was followed by a New Year story by Hilda Banks, after which Alice Foley gave a resume of all the resolutions. Frederick Welton then, acting as chairman, with Hyacinth McNeil, secretary, in a drill illustrating "Rules and Regulation of C. T. H. S.," conducted a Suffrage League, at which Bess Meisenheimer and Lillian Adams seemed to be the only ones present.

One feature of the program was the singing of "America," by the society, with the American tune, and not to the English one, which is more commonly used. Another musical number was a piano duet by Gladys Goodman and Ora Walraven.

As It Is With High School Students.
Doctor: Your son, Mrs. Black, is suffering from voluntary inertia.

Mrs. Black: Why, the poor fellow. And here I've been telling him he was just lazy.

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ADVERTISING RATES

Quoted upon application to the Business Manager.

The Iris Literary Society took the lead Friday in a little demonstration which should make C. T. H. S. students sit up and take notice. This was the singing of our national song, "America." The tune by which it is most widely known to pupils in the eight grades and in high schools and the one to which it is commonly sung is an English tune, the same tune which loyal Englishmen use in singing their national song, "God Save the King." For this reason Englishmen have always laughed at Americans for lacking as they said, the originality to compose a tune of their own for their national song, instead of borrowing that of another nation.

Therefore, since there is an American tune for "America," American people, it seems, ought to give it the precedence. The Iris Society is to be complimented upon the stand it has taken for furthering this idea in C. T. H. S.

Mr. Trout had been talking about canal locks. Finally he said, "I guess we had better quit talking about locks."

"Yes," answered Freda, "if you don't we'll get lockjaw."

Miss Riebel placed this on the board: "Explain

'Green to green and red to red;

Perfect safety, go ahead.'"

Charles forgot what that meant, so he substituted:

'Books are bad, and 'ponies' are worse,

So use your brain for safety first.'

ROSETTAS

Ruth Rickards, '14, and Bettina Shanklin, '14, visited school Friday.

Mr. Tubbs received a certificate from State Superintendent Blair in recognition of the fact that this is a standard four-year high school.

Mr. W. G. Murphy talked to the Commercial Law class Thursday on the subject of "Wills."

Hansel Buckner has discontinued school and is now working at the new yards.

A series of meetings which will be conducted by experts from the State Experiment Station is to be begun in January. Mr. Guenther is to accompany them and tell what the high school is doing along the line of agriculture. Later on a general meeting will be held in the high school.

Faculty meetings will be held regularly on the first and third Mondays in the month, for the purpose of discussing school problems.

Lela Sydney of Irvington has entered school.

Orin Brown, '14, and Guy Tillman visited school Monday afternoon.

Dorothy Planner, who lives at Wamac, has enrolled at C. T. H. S.

A letter from Nathaniel Butler of the University of Chicago, announces that the "Daily Maroon," the publication of that university, will be sent to C. T. H. S.

Present indications point to the largest incoming class next semester that C. T. H. S. has ever had.

SCENE ON THE MISSISSIPPI.

We have all heard of the wonderful Western scenery, the majestic Rockies, the dark, mysterious canyons, vast painted deserts, the Golden Gates; all are fully pictured to the eye of the Middle-Westerners and Easterners. The magazines and newspapers are filled with long, vivid accounts of the Rhine, ancient battle grounds, castles, and the snow-capped Alps. Yet one seldom sees or reads an account of the more modest though no less wonderful or historical beauty of the great river of the Middle West, the Mississippi. How many Western children know that the Mississippi, ages ago, was a swift, on-rushing river, as swift as the Arkansas now, and that its source has been changed twice? How many know that large ocean vessels could at one time start from the St. Lawrence River, go through the Lakes and from there on down the Mississippi many hundreds of miles? And yet we must learn all the names of the rivers of the West, how high the mountains are, and their history—from the time of Adam.

Take a steamboat some morning; they always start at six o'clock in the smaller towns. Watch the sun come up over the water as it casts its fiery shadows into the silvery mirror below. A fish leaps out of the water for a moment, leaving a diamond spray behind him. Then the solemn roll of the church bell comes clearly over the water from a small village nearby, a brisk wind springs up, the birds are all singing cheerfully,—the day has begun.

The boat swings around a strong curve. The river has cut in deeply on one side in a meandering fashion.

Here the rocks are exactly perpendicular, the gray, orange and black coloring blending so perfectly that the division lines can scarcely be seen. On the other side are great piles of yellow sand, in which are growing scraggy, ragged looking weeds. They look much like the cast off children of the great trees which form the background of the landscape. Those trees are not giants, anyone could easily climb most of them, but they form a perfect mantle of green, through which the sun daily finds its way to the star-eyed flowers beneath. They do not kill all their undergrowth by their shade, as do the giant red-woods of California. It is said that the ground is perfectly bare under those monarchs of the West. But here the trees shelter the flowers in such a way that flowers can be found as long as trees are green.

Just now the boat is passing Nauvoo, the old Mormon city. The low flat roofs of most of the houses contrast strangely with the high unfinished dome of the church, which, it was said, would have been the most beautiful in America, had it been finished. As you pass the houses many women thrust their heads through the windows and each explains that she is the favorite wife of Joseph Smith, one of the founders of the Mormon religion. If you will carefully count these heads, you will discover that Mr. Smith had about two hundred wives. Some of them are remarkably young for having a husband so long dead. One cannot keep from pitying Mr. Smith (and wondering if he is really resting, now that he is gone).

From there you will pass further north where the river is very deep and where many rapids make it almost impossible to go farther. You will glide past innumerable villages, steam past great cities, and move slowly along the great quiet forests of the North. If you are sailing southward you will pass many miles of tangled underbrush and forest, and if you have a fairly good imagination you can almost believe you are in Africa or South America. And then you will steam into New Orleans and see where the sluggish river meets the gulf and builds its delta.

So you will move on—and on—and on—always seeing new scenes, always forgetting them in the more beautiful ones that are to follow. And all can be seen on an ordinary steamer for a dollar and a half a day.

ANTONIA FISCHBACHA, '15.

Teacher: What is the belt north of the equator? Can you tell us?

James: I—a—can't, sir (Cancer).

Teacher: Correct.

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ALUMNI NOTES

Dr. Julius Bohn, '94, and family of Terre Haute, spent Christmas day with his mother in Centralia.

Mr. Frank Clark, '94, of Nashville, Tenn., visited in Centralia during the holidays.

A third member of the same class, Mrs. Belle Westbrook, of Salem, also visited here with her mother, Mrs. Shevels.

Mr. Strawn Condit, 1900, of Gillespie, Ill., was here on business recently.

Miss Estella Le Sturgeon, '00, has the sympathy of her many friends in her recent bereavement, the death of her mother. During the long illness she was a most devoted and unselfish daughter.

Miss Elizabeth Bohn, '04, was at home for a few days during the holiday vacation. She is enthusiastic over her chosen work as head of the Household Science Department of the Ohio University at Athens. As a member of the Woman's Club, she is one of a committee of those appointed by the State Federation to further the study of this practical branch of education throughout the state.

John Saker, '05, visited home folks during the holidays, having leave of absence from his duties as Lieutenant on the U. S. torpedo boat "Trippe."

FIFTY YEARS AGO.

(Continued from last week.)

"I was mighty glad we did, 'cause half an hour later, after I had successfully climbed in the window and into my bed, I heered the old man's footsteps a comin'. Stamping up to the front door I heered him jerk the knocker, then a bustlin' downstairs, and the door opened. I distinctly heard Maw saying, in surprise:

"William? Why, yes, Mr. Grabby, he's been to bed since seven o'clock." "Some mutterings from Mr. Grabby, and then—'Well,' said my Maw, very angry like, 'we'll go upstairs and see!'

"How I snuggled down and snored. I do believe, comin' to think on it, that I talked in my sleep a little. Nearer, nearer, came those footsteps. I could begin to see the light under the door. Some soft whispers; the door opened and in walked Maw, Paw and Mr. Grabby. Maw was a-carryin' the lamp, Paw a long switch, and Mr. Grabby was a lookin' madder than the devil. Three steps and they were by my side. One look at me so deep in childish slumbers, convinced Maw, and after a few hair-raising stares from Mr. Grabby and a grunt from Paw, they marched down stairs."

BESS JOHNSON, '16.

Miss Murray had given the class a talk on household pests. She said: Now, class, what is the worst pest a woman has?

Bright Freshie—Please ma'am, a husband.

He Knows.

Mr. Trout: Quakers don't swear. Tom: Not even when they get married?

Mr. Trout: Oh, no, Tom. They don't swear about it!

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Little Brother: Bet he'd kiss you if I wasn't here.
Gladys: You awful boy! Go away this instant.

Miss Lee: Aurora, you are wild.

Aurora (cutely): About what?

Miss Lee: About all the time.

How Cruel.

Bright Student: I am going to try out for declamation.

Miss Riebel: You'd better try out for a "75" in Zoology.

Miss Lee (in Music): I've tried to play the violin, but I can't manage my (beau) bow.

New Method of Suicide.

Miss Lee: Robert, how did Portia come to die?

Robert: She committed suicide.

Miss Lee: How?

Robert hesitates.

Tudor (whispering from behind): She swallowed fire.

Robert (bravely): She swallowed a file!

Miss Riebel: Spell "ferment" and define it.

Bright Student: F-e-r-m-e-n-t. Means to work.

Miss Riebel—All right. Use it in a sentence.

Bright Student: I would rather sleep at home than ferment in school.

Anxious Father: I know that my son is rather slow, but as he's been going here for two years, hasn't he developed a tendency along any certain lines?

Mr. Tabbs: Yes, sir. He is admirably fitted for taking moving pictures of a glacier. I would send him to Alaska if I were you.

To Be Sure.

Mildred (in sewing room): I don't want to make this dress now. I can't use it.

Miss Murray: Haven't you any little brothers or sisters?

Mildred: My brothers don't care for dresses.

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LYRIC THEATRE

Thursday, Jan. 14—Episode No. 6 of

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C. T. H. S. AGAIN VICTIM OF SHELBYVILLE

C. T. H. S. IS DEFEATED BY SHELBYVILLE IN RETURN GAME.
31 TO 12.

Friday night a squad composed of members of both the first and second teams fell in defeat at the hands of the Shelbyville basket ball team on Shelbyville's home floor by a 31-12 score. This was one of the best games of basket ball played by the C. T. H. S. this season which is witnessed by the fact that Shelbyville was held down to the tightest game played and the closest score made on their home floor this season. The expected score of 60-10 was cut down by a telling number of points and the prospects for a Championship team for Centralia seem to be improving fast.

The floor was a good one and the game was fast and interesting throughout. Shelbyville being accustomed to the floor was able to start the scoring and to maintain a slight lead throughout the game. Each point, however, was a hard-fought one, the guarding of all the Centralia men, being excellent, and succeeded in keeping the score as small as it was.

With two second team men in the game for the first time, Centralia's team work showed up well, Maddox as center and Kern at right guard. Both played games worthy of varsity players.

The following is the line-up used in the game:

C. T. H. S.	Shelbyville
Loomis l. f.	Klausner
Reid r. f.	Cox
Maddox c.	Homer
Sherman l. g.	Kuhl
Kern r. g.	Gibben

Field goals thrown: Cox, 5; Klausner, 3; Hamer, 2; Gibben, 2; Loomis, 1.

Goals thrown from fouls called:
Loomis, 8; Klausner, 7; Reid, 2.

FLORA IS DEFEATED IN ROUGH GAME

C. T. H. S. DEFEATS FLORA BY NINE POINTS, 23-14—MANY FOULS.

Saturday night C. T. H. S. proved their superiority over the Flora boys by defeating them in a rough and exciting game. The final score showed C. T. H. S. leading with 23 points to Flora's 14 tallies.

The game was a rough one from the start, being featured by a great deal of fouling and was a hard tussel from beginning to end. Part of this spirit of fighting must have been due to the slogan of Flora's rooters and her team and to their courageous adherence to it, "Defeat Centralia or make a good try at it."

Flora began the scoring on a foul throw. From then on Flora's score slowly but steadily increased until it tallied 6 points. C. T. H. S. then entered the field and after a few minutes of play, built up the score and obtained a lead, which was kept up during the game.

In this game Tudor Boyle of the second team showed up fast in goal shooting, making two field goals and getting over the floor at a rapid rate. Loomis also scored many of Centralia's points. C. T. H. S. making nine field goals to Flora's one field tally.

A large number of fouls was called on both teams, about twice as many fouls being called on Centralia, however, as were called on Flora.

The line-up used in the game was as follows:

C. T. H. S.	Flora
Loomis l. f.	Cross
Reid r. f.	Ikemire
Maddox c.	Brissender
Sherman l. g.	Henduf
Kern r. g.	Beaton
Boyle sub.	Jones

Miss Cairns—Where is Rome?
Myrtle (brightly)—On the map.

LITERARY TRYOUTS VERY SUCCESSFUL

TRYOUTS IN IRIS AND DELPHIC LITERARY SOCIETIES ROUSE MUCH INTEREST.

Try-outs for places in the Inter-Society Contest which will be held Thursday evening, February 25, were held Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week to select society representatives in the different events for the big contest.

The preliminaries were on the whole, very satisfactory. Separate judges were obtained for the musical and other try-outs, all of whom were chosen from capable and efficient townspeople. An abundance of good material was brought forward as a result of the try-outs and C. T. H. S. should expect to do something worth while at the Inter-Scholastic meet at Carbondale in the Spring. In many cases the work of the contestants ranked so close that there was a great deal of difficulty in selecting the winner. The judges in the musical events were Miss Zetta Touve, Mrs. Julius Reinhardt and Miss Margie Gerlach. The judges in the other events were Prof. S. H. Bohn, Mrs. Eli Armstrong and Rev. Record.

Iris Tryouts.

Tryouts for the Iris Society followed in order in which they were held, with the winners; girl's vocal solo, Jennie Grace Terpinitz; other contestants, Aurora Quinton and Jessie White. Boy's vocal solo: Merritt McDowell. Instrumental solo, Ruby Smith; other contestant, Temple Fike. Boy's declamation, William Bellamy, "South Carolina;" William Bellamy and Arthur Kinnane, contestants. Girl's recitation, Catherine Miller, "Towser Must Be Tied Tonight;" other contestants, Sylvia Watts, Beulah Davis, Hyacinth McNail, Mary Parkinson.

In the debate, "Resolved, That War Can be Abolished," the contestants were required to debate upon both sides of the question. Vivian Myers and John Finch won out in this event, the other contestants being Charles Kinnane and Harold Skillman, Extempore, Antonia Fischbacha.

Delphic Tryouts.

Tryouts in the Delphic Society were held in the following order, and are (Continued on Page 2, Col. 1.)

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LOYALTY TO OUR TEAM.

Come, students of the C. T. H. S., 'Rouse your selves! Let us hear once more the gigantic yells that echoed and reechoed through the corridors of our fair C. T. H. S., that caused the windows to rattle and to shake and its walls to quiver with great violence. Yes, once more the yells that struck cold the hearts of our opponents, yea, that fairly beat them ere the game was started. Show the spirit that brought to C. T. H. S. the championship of Southern Illinois and the respect of even our deadliest enemies. Uphold the honor of our school and the name that you made for it. Help the boys this year to place our school one notch higher in the Hall of Fame. Come! Make this the banner year of the C. T. H. S. You owe it to yourselves and to the team.

Wilson Storer '16.

A LUNCH ROOM FOR C. T. H. S.

Do you blame the students of C. T. H. S. for wanting to eat their lunches in a class room in preference to the gymnasium? Well, I don't! What person wants to go down in the gym. and sit on those old hard boards to eat his lunch?

Just as much as we need other things, do we need a lunch room. It would be just as good a thing for C. T. H. S. to have a new lunch room as it would be to have everybody "yell" at basket ball games, or to have everyone take an interest in "literary societies."

Just as much enthusiasm should

ROSETTAS

Gladys Church, a former C. T. H. S. student, visited school Friday.

The Household Science department has added new "Lady Elgin" ovens to the equipment.

Louise Whitechurch of Salem, visited school Friday.

Examinations will be held on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week.

No gym classes will be held this week on account of examinations.

Paul Woodward '18, has discontinued school for the present.

Mrs. Elder of St. Louis came to Centralia Monday for the purpose of giving instruction in voice. Many high school students expect to receive instruction from her.

Temple Fike '16, accompanied the Patoka Girls' Basket Ball Team to Odin Friday and played forward on that team. Patoka defeated Odin 16-14.

The Cenbica C. F. G. met for their monthly gym practice Thursday evening at Franklin School.

The Nakoma C. F. G. held a ceremonial meeting at the home of Sula Brown Friday night.

The series of meetings held by the Farmers' Institute in the various district schools of this section begin January 26. Mr. Guenther, Francis Rogier '15 and Rev Roy '16, will accompany the experts from the experiment station. Mr. Guenther will talk on the subject of "Agriculture in Centralia Township High School." "The Farmer's pocketbook", "White Cholera", "Tuberculosis in a Dairy Cow", "Francis will have for his subject, "The Selection of Seed Corn", and Ray will speak on "Spraying."

Mr. Nathaniel Butler of the U. of Chicago has been selected as the 1915 Commencement speaker.

LITERARY TRYOUTS VERY SUCCESSFUL

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given with the winners: Boy's vocal solo, Harry Davis; girl's vocal solo, Mazie Sullivan; Kathryn Higgins and Bess Johnson, other contestants. Instrumental solo, Freda Dardis; other contestants, Clifford Greer, Virginia Sullivan, Erma White, Lois Hileman. Boy's declamation, Leon Sherman, "Tucson Lovatore," other contestant, Carl Whitechurch. Girl's recitation, Madge Tucker, "Helene Thámre," other contestants, Esther Rogers, Sula Brown, Anna Frank, May Wallis, Reba Eberts, Ola Hays, Debate, David Perrine and Augusta Fike; other contestant, Florena Saxer. Extempore, May Wallis; May Wallis and Jessie Beaver, contestants.

be aroused over a new lunch room as there is over games and societies or any other school enterprise.

Gladys Goodman '16.

HOUSEHOLD SCIENCE HONOR ROLL.

The Household Science Honor Roll is composed of the girls taking Household Science who have prepared at home everything which they have learned to make at school each week. The following girls are on the honor roll: Beulah Baldwin, Jessie Bell, Daisy Carter, Bess Meisenheimer, Sue Reid, Ethel Sutton, Ora Walraven, Clara Buehler, Margaret Bundy, Mildred Erskine, Effie Fouts, Florence Friedenstien, Maude Geary, Ola Hays, Nina Huddleston, Irene Kelley, Dorothy Leo, Grace McIntosh, Colleen Reichenbach, Sadie Root, Leila Feathering and Kathryn Higgins.

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Bess—No. How?

Marguerite—Oh, go up-stairs and come down a 'rushin' (Russian).

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ALUMNI NOTES

Mrs. Edna Howard, (Edna Hoyt '02) and children, of Whittier, Cal., are here to spend the winter with her brother and his wife. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hoyt.

Charles N. Kell of Moline spent a few days here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Kell.

Mrs. Thomas Bean (Theresa McGuire) of Chicago visited here recently with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McGuire.

Miss Emma Grace Reader '11, visited recently in Des Moines, Iowa, with Miss Marguerite Lambert, a former C. T. H. S. student.

Mrs. Mable Kellem '08 of Kewanee Ill., is visiting her parents here, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Horn.

MY AMBITION A LONG TIME AGO

"Jimmie, come here, you've got to clean this trash up."

"Please, Momma—"

"Hush now. Pick these things up. I positively will not have them in this front room."

"But where can I put them?"

"Take them up-stairs to your room."

For a few minutes everything was quiet. Then an engine minus two wheels, a bell, and a smokestack, noisily puffed its way up-stairs dragging behind it two old, time-worn, and weather-beaten coaches. These were filled with almost anything you might imagine was in them. The railroad ties were torn up and moved to a higher and safer plane of existence where the train and its two coaches now dwell. Then the factory followed the railroad. This factory was entirely up-to-date and furthermore it was smokeless, that is, no smoke issued from its stacks. The motive power of this factory was furnished by an old clock, which hummed merrily along as it turned the wheels of the great factory and gave the town a noisy, hustling appearance.

The factory zone, the street cars must stop running, for it was the old clock that created the power to propel them along their way. Since there was nothing left in the town, neither railroads, factories, nor street cars, the people packed on their household goods and followed the path the others had taken. Whether it was the high altitude or a contagious disease of the homesickness that affected these people, I can not tell, but in a few months the engines ceased to climb the mountain side to the little town, the old clock hummed its merry tune no more, the factory wheels had stopped, never to turn again, and the people slowly left their homes and wandered here and there over the world.

Thus the little town, deserted by everybody and everything, is left to decay as it will. So it is with my youthful ambition, to make the wheels go 'round. It, too, is left to slowly die away until it becomes nothing but a remembrance.

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"Kissed Me in The Moonlight?"Clerk (a girl)—No sir, I think it
must have been someone else.Teacher—What three words are
used most in Latin?

Lily—I don't know.

Teacher—Correct.

Mr. Tubbs—What is the first part of
an oration?

Leon—The beginning.

Mr. Tubbs—Well, what is the last?

Leon—Carrying off the vegetables.

In Ag.Tom—What will I do with the dirt
that is left over?John—Dig another hole and put it
in.Miss Erbes (in German)—How
many are there in your family?

Freshie—Five.

Miss Erbes—Are you the oldest?

Freshie—No, ma'am. Pa and ma are
both older than I am.A toast by all High School students:
"Here's to our parents and teach-
ers, may they never meet."**But She Didn't.**Gussie—What are you going to try-
out for, Jean?Jean—Well, I want to try-out for
boy's solo and sing "Dig My Grave
Beth Wide and Deep," but they don't
seem to be enthusiastic over it.**A ROMANCE.**

She stood upon his private yacht.

He stood beside her there;

She said she liked his boat a lot—

He smiled and called her "fair."

She stood beside the garden gate,

He stood beside her there.

He asked her love, to share his fate,—

She answered with a stare.

She stood beside the altar new,

He stood beside her there.

The preacher asked if she'd be true,—

She said, "I guess I dare."

Edith Robertson '16.

SECOND TEAM DEFEATS**THE FIRST TEAM**In a hotly contested battle in the
gym, Tuesday afternoon, before an en-
thusiastic crowd of rooters, the second
team came into prominence by defeat-
ing the first team by a 32-27 score.The game was a fight throughout,
both teams showing up strong in team
work, the second men, however, gain-
ing the lead in goal shooting. The first
half ended with the score of 12-7 in
favor of the second team.In the last half of the scoring was
much the same. While to no one man
was the victory due, the work of the
fast little forward, Tudor Boyle, and
the guard, Clyde Kern deserve much
credit. The game ended with the sec-
ond team leading, 32-27.**LYRIC THEATRE**Wednesday, Jan. 20, Alice Joyce in
"THE MAYOR'S SECRETARY, 2
reels.Thursday, Jan. 21, John Bunny,
Flora Finch in a 2 reel comedy en-
titled "BUNNY'S LITTLE BROTH-
ER" also episode No. 7 of the "MAS-
TER KEY.""THE DEVIL and MRS WALKER"
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RUNAWAY JUNE

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C. T. H. S OVERWHELMS ANNA BOYS 55-13

IN RETURN GAME C. T. H. S. WIPES
OUT 20-18 DEFEAT—REID AND
LOOMIS STAR.

Friday night it was convincingly proved to the satisfaction of all that C. T. H. S. is climbing out of her slump of the last few weeks when Anna was defeated here by a 55-13 score.

First Half.

The playing was from the start snappy and spirited, showing a marked improvement over that of the last game. During the first five minutes some good team work was pulled off, with an occasional stop for a free throw. On his third trial Loomis placed a basket for Centralia, making the first point of the game. This shot was quickly followed by a field goal by Reid; in a short time C. T. H. S. climbed to six points. Anna entered the game at that point with a field goal by Alden. Alden was the only one of the Anna quintet to do any scoring until the last four minutes of the game.

From this time on C. T. H. S. forged ahead speedily, 6 points being made in rapid succession, 4 by Loomis and 2 by Reid. A minute later Sherman came in for another basket for Centralia. When the half ended Anna was hopelessly out of the running, the score being 29-6.

Second Half.

Alden opened the half by a free goal which was speedily followed by one from Loomis. This was soon followed by a field goal by Root. Centralia continued to gain rapidly. Anna's passing being very good, while in goal shooting she was markedly deficient.

Each man on Centralia's team showed up strong. Root got the tip-off nearly every time and started plays that succeeded in piling up the score. During the game Reid made 16 and Loomis 17 points. The work of the guards is shown by the low score which Anna made. During the last four minutes the second team men were put into the game, making eight points to Anna's two.

The following is the official line-up and score of the game.

Centralia—		Anna—
Reid	rf.	Grace
Keller		Gasner
Loomis	lf.	Wiley
Boyle		

LARGE ENROLLMENT SECOND SEMESTER

LARGE FRESHMAN CLASS IS ADDED TO C. T. H. S.—A NUMBER OF FAILURES.

The beginning of the second semester Monday morning was marked by one of the largest student assemblies ever gathered at C. T. H. S. The total enrollment for the second semester up to Monday morning was 287.

The examinations which were held Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week were concluded Friday evening. At a faculty meeting Monday night grades were turned in and the report cards were given out Tuesday morning.

As was expected there were a number of failures, the largest per cent, as has been the case, for the two preceding report periods, being among the Freshmen. The reason for this is easily explained. The jump from the grades to high school is such a broad one that it is not always easy for the younger students to accustom themselves to the change, for a while, at least.

The total enrollment of the first semester was increased by the addition of 41 freshmen coming from the eighth grades of the city schools as a result of the mid-year promotions. This is a large per cent of the eighth grade graduates, the entire number completing the work being 45.

Many of the classes are taxed to overflowing, the history classes, especially, having more than their share of membership. Incoming freshmen were allowed to enroll in physiology, physiography, ancient history, commercial arithmetic, commercial geography, drawing and art, spelling and penmanship.

Root	c.	Alden
Kern		
Cruzen	lg.	Trumer
Waggoner		
Sherman	rg.	Terpinitz
Kern		
Webster		

Field goals thrown: Reid 9, Loomis 7, Keller 3, Kern 3, Waggoner 2, Alden 3, Boyle 2, Root 1 Sherman 1, Webster, 1 Wiley, 1. Foul goals thrown: Loomis 3, Alden 5. Referee, Chauncey Holcomb. Umpire, Grear. Timekeeper and scorer, S. Loomis.

"EXAM" PROGRAM BY THE DELPHIC SOCIETY

DIVISION FOUR TAKES EXAMINATIONS AS SUBJECT OF GOOD PROGRAM.

The fourth section of the Delphic Literary Society gave an interesting program Tuesday, January 19, in the Assembly Hall. The program consisted of a number of recitations and musical solos, an extempore speech and an interesting debate.

The first number was a vocal solo by Mazie Sullivan, which was well rendered. Mazie won out in the preliminary tryout for the girls' vocal solo, and will represent the Delphic in that event in the Inter-Society contest.

Following this were two readings, the first, "The Minister's Call," by Helen Parkinson, and the other, "Under the Buggy Seat," a very amusing selection by Hallie Root. Other readings were given by Helen Stevens, Mable Goatley and Ola Hays.

The feature of the program was a debate on the question, "Resolved, That Seniors having an average of 86 per cent or above should be exempt from second semester examinations." The affirmative side was upheld by two seniors, Florence Gott and Pansy Simons, and the negative was supported by David Perrine and Earl Harmon. The question was warmly discussed and several strong arguments were advanced by both sides. The judges awarded the decision to the affirmative. (Senior members of C. T. H. S. have begun to hope that the arguments advanced may influence the powers so that they may not again know the terrors of final exams.)

Francis Rogier followed up the debate by an extempore on the same subject, touching upon it, however, from a different viewpoint, and taking a different attitude in regard to the question.

The program was concluded by a piano solo by Lois Hileman.

How Brilliant.

Freshie—Who wrote the most, Dickens, Warren or Bulwer?

Soph—Warren did, for he wrote "Now and Then."

Freshie—Yes. But Bulwer wrote "Night and Morning," and Dickens wrote "All the Year 'Round."

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TO THE FRESHMEN.

What are Freshmen that their lives should be made miserable? What have these poor, youthful, but ambitious, ones ever done that the tide of public opinion should be so turned against them? Why is it that they should be made a mark for the pity of Seniors, the witticisms of Juniors, the tortures of Sophomores and the advice of the Faculty? Helpless, the world against them, wavering, faltering, still they press forward, despairing and hoping, striving for "the higher education." The eagerness with which they grasp each bit of wisdom offered by an upper classman is often pathetic; the cruelty displayed by these said upper classmen a thing to be deplored. Think on the error of your ways, students! Do not let the Freshman, overcome by trouble, sink by the wayside. Be his friend!

The spirit of loyalty is once more upon us. Our hopes are once more rising buoyantly above all recent defeats. Our aims are once more pointing toward overwhelming victories; our hearts and minds are again firmly fixed on visions of a championship. We have learned something; what are a few petty defeats that they should make our courage waver and our minds doubtful of final success? What is a defeat that it should turn the tide of our loyalty. WE CAN PLAY basket ball!

Mr. Trout (in Civics)—What is a "dark horse"?

Ray (brightly)—A "dark horse" is either very brown or black.

ROSETTAS

The faculty met in Room 2 Monday for the purpose of making out grades.

The Landscape Gardening Class has begun its work again this year.

Mr. F. F. Stabies spent the weekend in town visiting friends.

Almost all of the faculty had red eyes Monday morning, owing to the numerous failures, we suppose.

Tracy M. Patrick, B. S., of Denison University, Granville, Ohio, is a new member of the faculty of C. T. H. S. Mr. Patrick is a graduate of Joliet Township High School and has had some practical experience in athletics, especially in track. He comes to C. T. H. S. well recommended.

The Cenhica C. F. G. had a bobsled party Tuesday night, when everyone had a good time and cold feet.

Saturday afternoon the Navajo Camp Fire Girls held a business meeting at the home of Dorothy Grissom. That night the entire camp went sleighing, finishing the evening's fun at a picture show.

Chester White, a graduate of Greenview high school, has enrolled at C. T. H. S. He is doing post-graduate work here.

Mr. Pannon of Dix was a high school visitor Wednesday afternoon.

EXCHANGES

"The Sphinx" is glad to acknowledge the following new exchanges:

"The Nor'easter," Kansas City, Mo.; "The Karux," Phillipsburg, N. J.; "The Dragon," Greenfield, Ohio; "The Mirror," Birmingham, Alabama; "The Montgomery Bell Bulletin," Nashville, Tenn.; "The Rahwack Pow Wow," Rahwack, N. J.

The Nor'easter—Your paper is a very different sort from ours, but we certainly enjoy receiving it.

The Karux—Your "English" department is something new. It's a clever idea; we like it.

The Dragon—Greetings! We are always glad to receive a new exchange especially such an interesting one.

The Montgomery Bell Bulletin and The Mirror—Only one criticism for you both. You don't you print the name of your city and state with the name of your school?

The Rahwack Pow Wow—Your paper is well arranged. The literary department in your December number is especially good.

DR. ARMSTRONG SPEAKS.

Dr. J. W. Armstrong spoke to the students Tuesday morning, January 12 on the important and interesting subject, "The Eyes." The extent and available material on the subject made it impossible for the speaker to give more than a sketch of the true importance and value of the eye, with an interesting description of its various parts.

The impression which many people have that men see with their eyes was shown to be wrong as Dr. Armstrong explained that it is necessary for both the brain and the optic nerve to co-operate in reproducing the

things which are seen.

It was also made clear to the students that everything seen is seen upside down, and that it is only by considering objects in the mind as they really are, that people are enabled to see correctly. The eye was also compared in its similarity to the different kinds of photographic machines.

"The necessity for making the impression produced on the brain remains so that in after life it will be of service, should be felt by every student in the high school," said Dr. Armstrong. He then spoke of the many advantages which each high school student has and of each one's duty to improve them.

THE SITUATION IN AMERICA.

During the Civil War this country was stricken with a demand for food—think of it, the best located nation in the world demanding food and the other necessities of life.

If this were the case here, what must now be happening in Europe, Europe which is more densely populated and possesses fewer natural advantages? The United States secured supplies from Europe and South America during the Civil War; Europe will consequently secure her supplies from the United States and South America.

This demand, however, is hard to meet, and has caused the price of many commodities to double. It goes to prove that a country should prepare to meet the enemy with a well-fed nation as well as a highly trained army and modern equipment.

The manufacturing of the United States has improved remarkably since the Civil War and if everyone in the United States would buy American-made articles the manufacturing would increase greatly. This would give the United States the ability to turn out a commodity in any quantity desired and would put the country on a sounder basis than the best equipped army and navy in the world could do. Think this over, Americans, and then be sure that your next pair of gloves has an American trade-mark on it.

RAY LEONARD, '16.

Washing China.

When washing ornaments of glass or fine china, if a turkish towel is placed in the bottom of the bowl it prevents the article from getting chipped.

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ALUMNI NOTES

George Walraven, '12, of Decatur, Ill., spent the week-end with home folks in Centralia.
Miss Pauline Bundy, '13, who has been quite ill at her home, is very much better.
Miss Mearle Shanklin, '08, and Mr. Ben Kaelin were married Sunday, January 28. After a three months' trip through northern Illinois, Iowa and Michigan, they will reside in Centralia.
Miss Marguerite George, '11, and Mr. Ralph Basinger of Murphysboro, Ill., were quietly married Wednesday, January 20, at Salem, Ill.

THE AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF AN UNINTERESTING GIRL

"Well, it is a girl," came in calm, brisk tones from the thin lips of a calm, brisk-looking woman, on May 14th, 1897. Whereupon she disappeared into the room beyond, leaving the family to take it as they thought best. Evidently the six-year-old son didn't think it best, for upon the appearance of the doctor he quickly offered to trade "that girl" for the horse tied out in front.

This was my welcome into the world; I, who was to grow up always waiting, always wishing for something to happen.

Something always happened to the rest of the family, but I always just existed in the calmest sort of way.

Once I thought something was really going to happen to me—the uninteresting one. The family was really going to the World's Fair! But, alas! it was decided I was far too young to be taken. An old, uninteresting lady, who did nothing but read, was hired to take care of me and keep house. I distinctly remember my last word to Mother before she left. "Mamma, can I get all the candy I want and have it charged, if I stay?" Anxious to let me have some pleasure, or being in a great hurry, she nodded. After that I took my revenge by having candy at least four times a day, and giving tea parties to children for blocks around. But the family returned and that was ended.

One time burglars got in and Papa ran them around the house with a gun, but I was over to the neighbor's, and wasn't called home until the excitement had died down.

Another time my little brother climbed into a wagon in front of the house and the horse ran away. I ran after it, hoping to stop it and have people say, "Oh, if it hadn't been for his sister" etc. But the horse only ran a block and then stopped to eat grass.

I seemed to go to a great many places, but nothing happened—always the same.

By the time I was in the eighth grade I was desperate. I made up my mind I was going to be mean—do horrid things. Even if people would say, "See that girl? Well, SHE got below seventy in deportment," it would be a relief. Fate seemed against me even in that; for the first and last time in my life I was "on the good side of the teacher." He stayed at our

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SQUIBLETS

Why, of Course.

Teacher—How do you make v equal x?
Bright Senior—If I knew how, I
wouldn't be broke so often.

Freda was making divinity candy.
Roy came in just then. "Oh, you Di-
vinity," quoth he. And we do not yet
know whether he was looking at Fre-
da, or the candy.

Friend—What makes you so funny?
Antonia—Oh, I sleep under a crazy
quilt each night.

George—Why did they put the pic-
ture of women on coins?
Merritt—Because money talks.

Not Changeable.

Friend—Where have I seen your face
before?
Miss Mitchell—Right where you see
it now.

Teacher—What is a cannibal?
Freshie—Cannibals are people who
live off of other people.
Second Freshie (whispering)—We
have lots of them in this country.

Miss Fuller (in Physiography) —
What mountains run through Central
Italy?

John—The Caspian Mountains.

Junior (rushing excitedly into the
office)—Oh, Mr. Tubbs—!
Mr. Tubbs—Well, what is it?
Junior—I wish you would read out
in Assembly. I have dislocated my
algebra!

He—Do you know my brother?
Friend—Yes, he and I sleep in the
same Latin class.

We always laugh at teacher's jokes,
No matter what they be,
Not because they're funny jokes,
But because it's policy. —Ex.

Freshie—Aren't you afraid to have
your fob hanging out of your pocket
like that?
Senior—Oh, no. I always keep a
watch on it.

THE AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF AN
UNINTERESTING GIRL

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house and thought a great deal of the
folks, which I supposed accounted for
my being "teacher's pet." I got out
of all my examinations but arithmetic,
and even he couldn't let me out of that,
although he did help me.

I am not pretty enough to attract
attention nor am I even ugly enough
to be noticed, so I pass through the
embarrassment of the limelight fairly
well. But now—at last—during my
fourth year in high school, I have
plans for something which will gradu-
ally work out. In several years I hope
to be able to add another chapter to
my autobiography. '16

Daily Thought.

There's place and means for every
man alive.—Shakespeare.

LYRIC THEATRE

"The Master Key," the greatest of
all serials, by John Fleming Wilson.
Episode No. 8 will be shown Thursday,
Feb. 4, instead of this Thursday, on
account of the illness of Robert Leo-
nard.

Friday, "The Flower of Faith," two-
reel Selig drama with Edith Johnson.

Saturday, Jan. 30.—"The Colonel of
the Red Hussars," three reel Edison
drama with Sally Crote.

Coming, Friday, Feb. 5, Evelyn Nes-
bit Thaw, and her son, William Rus-
sell Thaw, in "Threads of Destiny." 5
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EVANGELISTS GIVE TALKS TO SCHOOL

REVEREND BURKE AND REVER-
END FANNON VISIT
C. T. H. S.

Thursday morning during chapel, the C. T. H. S. students and faculty were treated to a very helpful as well as entertaining talk when Reverend Burke, who has been conducting the revival services at the Methodist Church for the past few weeks, spoke to them on the subject, "Determination and Concentration."

Reverend Burke is a powerful speaker and the force of his illustrations struck home and the truth of his words was felt by everyone. Taking for his subject, "Determination and Concentration," he showed by means of vivid illustrations what they have done for other people and what they would do for C. T. H. S. students, could they but realize it. He traced the lives of some of the present day great men and women and showed to what heights their resolves to win, to conquer and to do rightly had brought them. Reverend Burke took people from all classes of life and showed how they had gained honor in all professions and walks of life, a noted physician, an artist, the president of the great railroad, a great financier.

Along with the seriousness of his talk Mr. Burke mixed some of his engaging humor and at times the whole assembly was in a roar of laughter, caused by the telling of some amusing story or anecdote. In this particular, his talk was one of the most entertaining that C. T. H. S. students have heard, and they hope to receive another visit from Reverend Burke before he leaves Centralia.

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SAFETY FIRST TALK BY MR. THOMAS

LECTURER FOR BURLINGTON
RAILWAY TALKS ON INTER-
ESTING SUBJECT

On Wednesday morning, January 27, Mr. Thomas, a public lecturer for the Burlington Railway Company gave a fifteen minute talk to the students and faculty of the high school on the subject, "Safety First."

Mr. Thomas very ably discussed the various kinds of railway accidents now so prevalent and the reason for their being so numerous.

He cited instances of railway accidents which have been due to carelessness alone, saying that of all railway accidents, six out of ten have been due to the carelessness of pedestrians, and not to that of employees who realize the danger of their calling and are hence more careful.

Mr. Thomas also spoke of the demonstration train now in the Burlington yards where he has many slides, showing the causes of railway accidents and how they may be avoided. This train, with its motion picture apparatus, is intended for the benefit of those employees, working in the Burlington railway systems. He also spoke of the "Safety First" movement which was started several years ago and is now one of the underlying principles of all up-to-date railways.

The students of the C. T. H. S. and the faculty greatly enjoyed Mr. Thomas' speech.

New student—Why was Harry Davis made Business Manager of the "Sphinx?"

Old Student—A good sprinter is bound to keep up the circulation. See?

STATE CHAMPS FALL BEFORE C. T. H. S.

HILLSBORO GOES DOWN TO DE-
FEAT AT HANDS OF CARDI-
NAL AND WHITE, 23-21

C. T. H. S.'s basket ball five added another to assertion that they are back in the game, by defeating Hillsboro, last year's state champions by the tight score of 23-21.

Although Hillsboro's team is not as it was last year, they have a reputation for fast playing. The game was fast and interesting as the tight score shows.

Reid began the scoring, making 4 points in quick succession. Webster, who played in Loomis's place, played a fine game making 3 goals in spite of the close guarding of the enemy. Root played a good game at center and made two goals. Cruzen played an especially fine game, blocking Hillsboro's plays and cutting down their score very materially. The boys, both as a team and as individuals played unusually well.

It was anybody's game from beginning to end, with C. T. H. S. generally a few points ahead. At the end of the game the score was a tie, being 21-21. The tie was broken by a fine shot by Webster from a very difficult position.

The line-up was as follows:

Centralia	Hillsboro
Webster	Ellis
Root	Kalkamp
Sherman	Parkhill
Cruzen	McDavid
Keller	Malland
Field goals, Reid, 5; Webster, 3; Root, 2; Elledge, 4; Sherman, 1; Malland, 2; Kalkamp, 3.	
Foul goals, Kalkamp, 2; Webster, 1; Elledge, 1.	
Referee, Trout; Scorer and Timer, Keller.	

Miss A (In Zoology)—What is the outside for?

Beula D. (surprised)—Why, to cover the inside.

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One object of each paper, therefore, should be to build up an extensive exchange list. This is one thing which the "Sphinx" is trying to do. The list is growing and the students seem to take an added interest in reading the exchanges.

But,—and now comes the moral—please try and remember that exchanges are for everybody,—not only for yourselves. Everyone is invited to read the exchanges, and then return some so that everyone else may have a chance!

We thank you!

Mr. Trout—Who was Huxley?

Jessie—Anyone who sells vegetables from a wagon.

ROSETTAS

Mr. Thomas of the Burlington Railway Company was a C. T. H. S. visitor Wednesday.

Evangelist Burke paid the high school a visit Thursday morning.

Reverend Robertson of the Christian Church was a high school visitor Friday.

Miss Vera Riebel accompanied the Centralia Girls' Basket Ball team to Salem Friday night.

Mrs. Kurtz, Mr. McKellar and Evangelist Fannon of the Christian Church visited C. T. H. S. Friday.

Miss Genevieve Ledford '16, who has moved to St. Joseph, Mo., was a high school visitor Monday.

Some new books have been added to the agricultural department of the high school library.

Wendell Heaton has recommenced school work again after his illness.

James Callahan, a former C. T. H. S. student has enrolled for work, the second semester.

Ray Root '16, is back in school again in spite of his twice broken arm.

Mr. Petrea was absent from his duties on account of the death of his father.

Clifford Kern '14, is doing janitor service during the absence of the engineer.

Hazel Fisher '14, has enrolled for post-graduate work.

There was a meeting of the Inter-Society committee in Room 2, Monday evening.

CLASS STANDINGS

FOR LAST PERIOD

Literary Society and class standings for the third report period have been averaged and show a slight back sliding in several instances.

Contrary to previous records, the reports show a larger number of failures in the Delphic than in the Iris Society, the Delphic totalling 49 and the Iris 47 failures.

The Senior class again had the smallest per cent of failures, only 2 Seniors or 5 per cent of the class failing in one or more subjects.

The Juniors come next with 11 failures, or 20 per cent of their number.

The number of failures in the Sophomore class was 31 or 43 per cent of the total enrollment of their class.

And again, the Freshmen bring up the rear with 52 failures or 65 per cent.

A CHARACTER SKETCH

His fat, round face was suddenly convulsed with laughter. His body shook and his cheeks bounced up and down like a rubber ball. It was several minutes before his ruddy countenance assumed its normal shape, then it was the hue of a rusy apple and he panted as if he had run a block. Tears ran out of his eyes,—then he told the joke to the rest.

Sayburt Loomis '16.

REVEREND FANNON SPEAKS

TO THE C. T. H. S.

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Last week was a banner week for C. T. H. S. students, inasmuch as they heard so many interesting speakers. Friday morning they received a visit from Reverend Robertson of the Christian Church, Evangelist Fannon and the singers, Mrs. Kurtz and Mr. McKellar.

Mrs. Kurtz and Mr. McKellar rendered several pleasing duets, one, "The Lost Chord," or C. T. H. S. Victrola fame, and a favorite with the students. These selections were great ly enjoyed.

Evangelist Fannon then gave a short but interesting talk to the students, the "King and Queens of Tomorrow," as he called them on the subject, "Opportunities." He pointed out clearly how much better it would be, if, instead of looking toward the future only, and what it would bring forth, people could be made to realize and grasp the opportunities of the present. If, instead of wasting their time and opportunities, young people would only be made to understand what they mean, a great deal more could be accomplished. He showed how the advancements and progress of the age had brought about an increase in opportunities. Although his talk was a short one, it was a very interesting one to the students. At the close of his speech, Rev. Robertson spoke a few words to the students.

GIRLS' TEAM DE-

FEATS SALEM, 11-6.

Last Friday night the Centralia Girls' Basket Ball team composed of high school students and alumni, journeyed to Salem and defeated the girls' team there by an 11-6 score, thus showing that the girls as well as the boys' team can be victorious when they meet the enemy.

The Salem girls had been practicing different rules from those used by Centralia, and as a result, Centralia was greatly handicapped. The first half ended 7-2 with Centralia leading. In the second half the teams each made 4 points. Of Centralia's points, 4 were made by Augusta Fike, 4 by Temple Fike and 3 by Edna Reichenbach. The girls intend to play the Odin Independents this week at Odin.

Centralia's team was composed of the following: Augusta Fike, r. f.; Temple Fike, l. f.; Edna Reichenbach, l. f.; Bess Shanklin, c.; Edith Robertson, r. g.; Katherine Miller, l. g.; Colleen Reichenbach, sub.

Mr. Trout (In English History)—You two may sit together if you'll be good,—the class is so crowded.

Marion and Helen, (Angelically)—We're always good.

Mr. Trout, (sternly)—This is a class in history not in mythology.

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ALUMNI NOTES

Prof. John June Davis '03, recently visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis. Following his graduation from the University of Illinois, Mr. Davis was for some years assistant to Prof. Forbes, state entomologist.

He is now in charge of a station of the U. S. Government Department of Entomology, at Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana.

Mr. Frank Spencer of Chicago, was in Centralia on account of the death of his father, Mr. N. W. Spencer, Jan. 19. The two daughters and two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer all graduated from the Centralia High School and three of them afterwards continued their studies at Northwestern.

Mr. Joe Bennett, '02 and wife, '04, former Centralians who have been spending the past two weeks in New Orleans, Birmingham, Ala., and other southern points spent Sunday here with relatives and friends enroute to their home in Chicago.

Mrs. Bennett was formerly Miss Ethel Koehler.

Harriet Cade '13, of Milliken U., spent Sunday with home folks.

Burnham Walraven '12, of Illinois U., and George Walraven '12, of James Milliken U., made one of their rare week-end visits here.

Thelma Gilpin '14, of Carbondale Normal, spent Saturday and Sunday in Centralia.

THE CHARGE OF THE FORTY (Alias "Tennyson.")

Half a mile, half a mile,
Half a mile onward,
All in the path to school
Stand forty and upward.

II

"Forward the tall Freshmaid,
Charge for the seats," he said.
Into the school so new
Charged the whole forty.

III

Forward the short fresh maid;
Was there not one dismayed?
Although the Freshies knew
Someone had blundered;
Theirs not to go ahead,

Theirs not to lose their heads,
Theirs but to work instead;
Into the school so new
Charged the whole forty.

IV

Sophomores to the right of them.
Juniors to the left of them,
Seniors to the front of them,
Scouted and thundered.
Scimed at with shouts and bells,
Boldly they came and we'll,
Into the learned House
As quiet as a mouse
Strode the whole forty.

V

How can their glory fade,
Oh, the wild charge they made,
All the town wondered!
Honor the jump they took,
Honor the way they took,
Tiny, brave forty!

Why does Jean's mind seem so young and fresh for a senior?
Because she changes it so often.

Axiom IV—The deportment of a student varies inversely as the square of the distance from the teacher.

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Mr. Tt. In History)—Watt brought
'em up there. Why did he send 'em
back?

Marion—Oh, he was dead.]

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Proof—Theorem XXXIII.

One teacher has two eyes.

No teacher has three eyes.

One teacher plus no teacher equals
one teacher.

2 eyes plus 3 eyes equal 5 eyes.

Therefore—one C. T. H. S. teacher
has five eyes.

Miss Cairns in Latin IV as small
freshman entered, hesitated, looked
disturbed—"Are you lost, John?

No ma'am, but the rest of my class
is.

German translation—Von night de
odder day ven I vas awake in mine
schleep, I ird a noise vich was not
shust rite out in me barn. I out shump-
ed der bed and run mit der schtable
out, und ven I had der coomed, I
found mine beeg gray iron horse
which was tied loose had run mit der
shtable off. Now efery podies vat vill
back him preing I vill pay him shust
vat is customary.

TENNIS

Williams beat McLoughlin for the
amateur tennis championship, and
yet McLoughlin is ruled champion—
on which basis the Athletics still are
world's champions in baseball.

MISCELLANEOUS

Charlie Taft, son of the former
president, is blossoming in basketball
at Yale.

* * *

Hannes Kolehmainen, the flying
Finn, is making new marks on Ameri-
can courses.

* * *

Thirty-six rifle clubs in 21 states
have begun competition for the cham-
pionship of the United States.

STUDENTS HEAR SINGER.**REV. HOBBS SPEAKS**

Tuesday morning, Rev. Tovey of
Melbourne, Australia, visited C. T. H.
S. and during chapel the students and
faculty were treated to several mus-
ical numbers by him. The splendid
quality of his voice was appreciated
by everyone.

Following the musical numbers
Rev. Hobbs who with Rev. Burke is
conducting the Methodist revival,
spoke to the students for a few minutes
showing in his talk very clearly how
it is not only right to do what is
right, but it also pays.

LYRIC THEATRE**THURSDAY, FEB. 4, Episode No. 8 of**

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C. T. H. S. WINS FROM SALEM BOYS, 29-21

SALEM SCORES EIGHT POINTS BEFORE C. T. H. S. GAINS—SCORE FIRST HALF, 15-12.

C. T. H. S. added two more scalps to its totem pole last week by defeating Salem and our old enemies of last year, Mt. Vernon.

Salem Game.

C. T. H. S. defeated Salem again Thursday night by eight points, the score being 29-21. Although Captain Loomis was unable to play, Centralia went into the game confident of victory, as Webster has been playing a good game at forward whenever the chance has been offered.

Salem started the scoring and ran up eight points before Centralia found the basket. When it was found, however, the score quickly climbed to a tie, and when the half ended C. T. H. S. was three tallies ahead, the score being 15-12.

In the second half the C. T. H. S. five kept on with the good work and slowly but surely climbed upward. Webster and Reid at forward played a good game, making four and five goals, respectively, in spite of the close guarding of the enemy. Root also came in for four field goals.

When the half was over the score stood 29-21, Centralia being eight points in the lead.

Lineup.

C. T. H. S.	Salem
Webster	If
Reid	Merz
Root	Wilson
Maddox	Radden
Sherman	rg
Cruzen	lg
Whitson	
Field goals—Reid 5, Webster 4, Root 4, Cruzen 1; free throws—Webster 1.	

FRESHMEN WELCOMED BY THE IRIS SOCIETY

IRIS EXTENDS "A WELCOME TO THE FRESHMEN" PROGRAM—HARRY SHARP RESPONDS.

One of the most successful programs yet given was the "Welcome to the Freshmen" extended by the first division of the Iris Society last Friday, Feb. 5. The hard work and time put into the planning of the program and the originality which the working out of several ideas demanded, told in the final result.

In the desire of the Iris Society to introduce to the newest members of the high school the manners and customs of C. T. H. S., her ideals and the advantages which she offers, in their attempt to explain, in a degree, at least, the importance of choosing courses; the value of proper studying; in the comparison of the standing of C. T. H. S. with other schools, not only was the intended object accomplished, but many new views were brought before the older students as well.

One particularly enjoyable feature of the program and one deserving honorable mention, was the response of one of the small Freshmen to the welcome. Harry Sharp, a member of the new class, courageously attempted what many an older classman has feared to do, ascended the assembly platform and before a smiling and appreciative audience told his views of C. T. H. S., her faculty, her students and her customs. Such an act on the part of a Freshman may well be a lesson to many an older student.

The program as a whole was well constructed, each number bringing forward some good material and interesting information. The program

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C. T. H. S. DEFEATS FORMER RIVALS

MT. VERNON TEAM FALLS BEFORE COMBINED FIRST AND SECOND TEAMS.

Saturday night the C. T. H. S. boys met and defeated our old rivals, Mt. Vernon. Although Mt. Vernon's was a last year's team, its members have a reputation for fast playing; they have given the Cardinal and White a close race for victory before.

Centralia started the game with the second team lineup, it being desired to save the first team as much as possible for the coming South Central Tournament.

After a five-minute struggle Trammel placed a goal for Mt. Vernon. Maddox soon tied this shot, and added another basket for the Cardinal and White immediately after. This was Maddox's first scoring for this year, and to surprise the rooters, he thought he would make two shots while he was at it. Keep it up, Maddox!

Although Mt. Vernon was heavier and more experienced than the second team men, the lack of practice was evident from their playing. C. T. H. S. climbed surely ahead and at the end of the half the score stood 13-6 in Centralia's favor.

Although the game was scrappy and interesting, because of the element of roughness which entered into the game at the start, it was not a good exhibition of basket ball. A noticeable feature of the game was the number of fouls made, thirteen being called in the first and fourteen in the second half.

The regular team was then played during the second half and C. T. H. S. climbed up a little faster, gaining twenty points during this half, raising our score to 33, while our rivals were held down to their original 6 points. In this half Kern relieved Sherman at guard and Morgan relieved Griggs of Mt. Vernon. Reid ended the half with a free goal for Centralia, the final score being 33-6.

Lineup.

C. T. H. S.	Mt. Vernon
Boyle	If
Sohn	
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If Centralia is to win the South Central tournament it will have to come through proper training and strict attention to the advice of the coach. The boys must feel their responsibility. It is the fellow who goes into a thing conscientiously, who wins. Instead of getting pick-up teams to play other out-of-town teams for expenses, the rake-off, and the so-called "good time," it is time for each fellow to buckle down and show that he can be depended upon. The winning of the South Central Illinois Tournament depends upon the carrying out of these very suggestions. Let's set up a new standard in our C. T. H. S. Let's get away from the old habit and the old name of not training; the life of athletics in Centralia depends upon this.

Here is the chance of every boy on the team for living up to the expectations of his fellow students and of everyone else, and of doing his honest duty at the same time.

ROSETTAS

There was a meeting of the Junior class Tuesday evening after school.

Harry Blakely, Earl Harmon, "Dutch" Reinhardt, Harry Davis and Alfred McMillan attended the game at Salem Thursday night.

The Freshmen held an important meeting Thursday evening at 3:30.

Harold Stout and Brooks Van Patten accompanied the team to Salem on Thursday morning.

Miss Eva Mitchell, who was absent last week on account of illness, is back again.

Helen Fyke and Winifred Welton attended the game at Salem Thursday. Rowena Kohl, '14, Harold Westbrook, '14, and Faust Gilpin, '14, were school visitors Wednesday.

The members of the Delphic Society who took part in the try-outs, were entertained by the winning contestants at an informal spread Monday evening at the home of Madge Tucker.

THE JOYS OF DAYS ON THE WATER.

I always enjoy a feeling of pleasure when I see a broad expanse of water. Not even the very small bodies of water, which, for want of a better name, are called lakes, can discourage this pleasure. I suppose this is an enjoyment which is natural to some people, while others must acquire it. However, I remember, even now, that I never cried out when I saw a river for the first time, when I was frightened when the winds swept over its surface and dashed its waters into a gleaming spray against the rocks.

There is always a charm in riding lazily on the water, day after day, week after week, and in the case of a life on a river boat, month after month. Nothing to do but watch the great, blue sky overhead, specked here and there with tiny clouds, or look downward and see the rippling water, which always seems to be gliding from you. Sometimes you look into the water and see a picture of the heavens above, as though the river had borrowed its blue from the sky.

And then there are days when you ride on the sluggish Missouri, with its bed of yellow clay continually polluting the water. The clouds above seem darker—and much larger. And the boat sways from side to side in an unceasing, rocking motion. Then all is still for a moment—now it thunders with an awful crash—now the lightning blazes forth! But after it is all over you smell the fresh earth on either side, and see a rainbow in the distance.

I was talking to an old acquaintance not long ago, an old river man. He was very old, and since he had known me so long ago, and had not seen me for "quite a spell," as he said it, he accordingly noticed great changes in me.

"Yes, Peggy," he began, using my

old nickname, "you certainly are changed. I don't suppose that you remember the days when you could turn a wheel like the rest of us, or handle an oar. You go out to one of these lakes a couple of miles out and take one old broken paddle and it's all you can do to keep the boat in a straight course." He shook his head sadly. "You used to ride in an Indian canoe and never upset. But I s'pose you're getting educated."

"Remember the day you got on the railing on the third deck and walked all the way around? We were all scared. I tell you. Don't s'pose you could walk on a porch railing without falling now. And how you used to get in that old John-boat of Bill's and ride the waves when the boat came in! Mercy, how those big ladies from the city did squeal and jump. I really expect they were deciding how much money they would have to pay for flowers and the like for your funeral. And then there came a day—"

But here I stopped him. Of course, I could not explain to him that I could not always be a child, that everyone does not always live in one place and enjoy one enjoyment. He was too old. The pleasure that I had then would still be pleasures to me in a certain way, but I never wanted to live them over. I had not forgotten them, I still dreamed of them, but they were no longer realities.

And so, when I see a silvery stream I look on it and sigh, not because I wish to go back to my old life, but because I can no longer enjoy it as I once did.

FRESHMEN WELCOMED BY THE IRIS SOCIETY

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was arranged as follows: Vocal solo, Aurora Quinton; "Why the Freshmen?", Heppie Root; "Effects of Ducking," Oral Cruzen; "A Study in Statistics," Wade Storer; "My Idea of the High School," Harry Sharp; "Customs of C. T. H. S.," "Choosing Courses," Katherine Kell; recitation, "How Lucy Backslid," Anna Hadley; "Schools I Have Attended," Beulah Davis; "Society Spirit," Temple Fike; "Methods of Study," Ruby Smith; "The Standing of Our School," Raymond Leonard; reading, "Soliloquy of a Freshman," Lucile Eberts; "A Substitute for Ducking," John Finch; musical number, Maude Wallis.

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ALUMNI NOTES

Rowena Kohl, '14, and Harold Westbrook, '14, spent last week at home.

Faust Gilpin, '14, accompanied the basket ball team to Salem Thursday.

Cordelia Smith, '14, taught in the Schiller school Monday.

Miss Florence Erbes of Champaign spent last week at home.

Jay Reichenbach, '14, has returned to Champaign to take up his studies the second semester. Jay was forced to discontinue his work last semester on account of ill health.

Justin Kohl, '13, and Burnham Walraven, '13, of the University of Illinois, spent the week-end following examinations with home folks.

1916 EDITOR AND BUSINESS

MANAGER ELECTED

Last Wednesday evening in an important meeting of the Junior class, next year's editor-in-chief and business manager were elected. The ones selected for these responsible positions were Alden Perrine, editor, and Wilson Storer, business manager. Both boys have had some experience in this work, both have willingly and faithfully given their time and effort whenever needed for the support of the "Sphinx," and by the choosing of the best possible persons in the school to fill these positions, prospects point to a bright and prosperous year for the 1916 Senior class and the school's publication.

A Discovery.

That there's music in Mr. Trout's sole can be plainly heard whenever he walks across the Assembly Hall.

Ray—Did you ever hear the story about the bed?

Tom—No, I never did.

Ray (backing off)—Well, that's where you lie.

C. T. H. S. DEFEATS

FORMER RIVALS

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 3.)

Webster	.....rf.....	Christian
Keller	.....
Reid	.....
Maddox	.....c.....	Hall
Root	.....
Waggoner	.....lg.....	Griggs
Cruzen	.....	Morgan
Doolin	.....rg.....	Trammel
Kern	.....

Field goals — Webster 3, Reid 3, Maddox 2, Waggoner 1, Doolin 1, Root 1, Keller 1, Sherman 1, Christian 1, Trammel 1.

Free goals — Webster 4, Keller 3, Sohn 2.

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All she did was think,
And, of course, this readily
Put her "on the blink."She got so very nervous
From studying so hard,
Her folks sent her to Anna,
And there she lives afar.
Moral:The moral of this sad tale
Quite easy is to see;
Don't do what teacher tells you,
Because you'll go dip-pee.**Naturally.**Teacher—If two colors are mixed,
such as yellow and blue, they make
another primary color. Now, one color
is the complement of the other. Mar-
garet, what is the complement of
green?

Margaret (brightly)—Grass!

The Idea!Antonia (excitedly)—Oh, I want
some jokes, right away!
Miss Mitchell—Jokes? Well, look
at yourself.**Who Is He?**First Basket Ball Boy—She is a
very beautiful girl.Second Basket Ball Boy—Well, why
don't you marry her?First Basket Ball Boy—If I should
nearly all the girls in this High
School would drown themselves! And
that would be expensive.**Patronize Your Advertisers!**Bob—I lost my watch last night.
Dwight—Did you advertise for it?
Bob—Yes, I told my best girl.**When?**Mr. Tubbs—The Holy Rollers think
that to get the devil out of you they
must beat you.Ophelia—How do they know when
the devil is out of you?**A New Discovery.**Mr. Patrick (in Com. Geography)—
We will now discuss the inclination of
the earth. Now, when the earth
shines on the sun . . . !Aspiring Singer (looking at song)—
It's written in G, but I'd rather sing
it in a flat.Kind Friend—If you sing too much
you'll have to sing it in a barn.Tiny Shepherd—My dad knows more
than George Washington did.

Friend—How do you know?

Tiny—Cause George Washington
couldn't tell a lie, but my dad can tell
one the minute he hears it.Mr. Trout (in English History)—
What was a "royal progress"?Neva—It was when the Queen went
walking.**LYRIC THEATRE**

Thursday, Feb. 11—Episode No. 9

of "The Master Key," also a two-part

Vitagraph drama with Leah Baird.

Friday, Feb. 12—"Young Mrs. Win-

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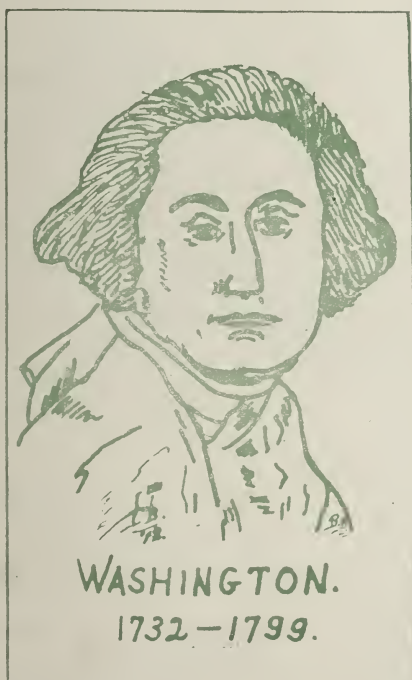
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TOURNAMENT PLANS NEARLY COMPLETED

TIME LIMIT FOR ENTRY SHOWED
THIRTEEN TEAMS ENTERED—
PROSPECTS GOOD.

The plans for the South-Central tournament, which is to be held here Friday and Saturday, Feb. 26 and 27, are rapidly nearing completion, the entries of thirteen teams having been received up to date. As the time limit for entry expired Friday, no more teams can enter.

All hopes of having a one-day tournament have been abandoned by Mr. Tubbs, the large number of entries making this impossible.

The teams that are to take part in the tournament are Alton, Ashley, Centralia, Collinsville, Flora, Gillespie, Granite City, Kinmundy, Mt. Carmel, Nashville, Salem and Vandalia. While advance dope is not worth much, present prospects point to the fact that Centralia, Collinsville, Nashville and Granite City will play the semi-final games. The first three, judging by the scores so far this year, should have the best chance.

The tournament will be held in Turner Hall. The high school team has not played on this floor, so it will not have the advantage which the home team usually possesses—that of knowing its ground.

However, with the large crowds which are expected, and the rooting which Centralia surely deserves, C. T. H. S. expects to give any team a good game and loyal rooters hold to bright hopes of a coming championship for 1915.

A FRESHMAN'S SOLILOQUY.

(Via Shakespeare).
To be or not to be
(To be a Freshman or not to be a Freshman)—that is the question.
Whether 'tis nobler in the mind to suffer
Or to take arms against the woes of freshmen,
And by chloroform end them.
To die.—To learn

No more. And by this death
Remain forever ignorant
Of the thousand natural shocks
The Fresh are heir to. 'Tis a
State of being, devoutly to be wished.
To live, to think, to cram—
Perchance to flunk! Aye, there's the sting!

What visions come when we have
Thrown aside this Freshman life
And live as Sophs—their's the respect
That makes present calamity worth while.

Who could bear the jokes of Sophs,
The Junior's sneer, the Senior's pride,
The pangs of classes lost, the dark pesthouse,

The ignorance of rules, and the spurns
Of upper classmen? Unjust ones!
When he himself might end it all
in Spurrior's Lake?

But that the hope of upper classmen
days,

When we will know the joys of Juniors,
maybe Seniors,
Strengthens our hearts, and makes us
Somewhat bear those knocks we get.
Instead of driving us to quit our jobs.
Thus ambition makes us brave,
And thus our natural steadfast resolutions

Are strengthened by the thought of future days,

We venture on through Freshmen ways,

With due regard for cruel Sophs,
And lose the name of cowards.
Mock not now! Oh, learned ones!
In all your glory, be your own Freshman days remembered.

C. T. H. S. FALLS IN SPLENDID DEFEAT

COLLINSVILLE DEFEATS C. T. H. S.
BY 16-13 SCORE IN FAST GAME
ALMOST A VICTORY.

Friday night the Cardinal and White clashed with the Collinsville quintet in the local gym, with the result that C. T. H. S. was defeated by the narrow margin of three points. The largest crowd of the season attended the game and interest ran high. Collinsville has a record of never having been defeated this season.

The game was a struggle and a scrap from the start. Every inch of ground, every passage of the ball, every play, every goal, was stubbornly fought for. After about four minutes of play Gaizat started the scoring by placing a field goal for Collinsville. This goal was followed immediately by another by Dillon.

After a few minutes of play Reid was substituted for Keller and Sherman for Waggoner. Soon after Cruzen relieved Keru and Root took Maddox' place at center.

Webster placed the first field goal for C. T. H. S. After a session of scrappy playing, during which four fouls were called, Webster made a free goal for Centralia. Seven fouls were called during the first and 13 during the second half. The first half ended with the score 8-3, with Collinsville leading.

Gaizat opened the second half with a field goal for Collinsville. Webster soon followed him with a free goal for C. T. H. S. Gaizat again placed.—A double foul was called, which resulted in a point for each side. Collinsville placed again, but was followed immediately by Webster, who at this point made 7 successive tallies for C. T. H. S. He played a splendid game, making all but two of Centralia's 13 points. Reid was the only other Centralia man to score. The final score was 16-13.

The line-up was as follows:

C. T. H. S. Collinsville
Webster Martin
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THE CONTEST.

Only one more week of preparation, and then the big Inter-Society Contest! This event will mark the culmination of both societies' efforts for bringing forth the best possible material for the coming Interscholastic Meet at Carbondale in the Spring.

The spirit of rivalry and so-called "society spirit" have been having full sway. This spirit has been manifested this year more than ever before, and has without doubt resulted in much added enthusiasm among a larger number of students and a higher interest from everyone, and will undoubtedly, if handled properly, bring about desirable results and succeed in raising the standard of society work.

This idea of society loyalty is all very well if it does not go too far. Above and beyond society loyalty there is still school loyalty to consider. Not only do we want "our" society to win, but we want the best material available to represent the school. We may feel that "our society" naturally has the best material; all very well and good, a proper spirit to hold. But above all, don't forget that it isn't only for the society to win the contest that we are working, but for the school to win the Intellectual Meet.

FRESHMEN THEMES

MY WICKEDEST DAY.

"Aw' right, mamma," I promised, "we'll be good." This was followed by noisy crowings of "Es, we 'll, mu-ver! We be des' ez dood!" and numerous other declarations of angelic behavior-to-be from my two younger brothers. So, with a promise of a reward (a piece of sticky candy each) if we kept our promises, mother left for town, leaving us under the watchful eye of "Chuck." He was our general, though hated boss, and judge of baby disputes in those days. We have hardly yet succeeded in throwing off those bonds of fraternal authority.

We were good for just exactly five minutes after the door closed on mother's back. For soon Roy, the most active one of us, got restless. He'd wiggle a foot, twist round on the couch and try to stand on his head. I was expert at this performance and revelled in the height of glory whenever I got a chance to teach my brothers how it was done. Roy's unsuccessful attempts made me impatient. "I'd show him HOW!" and I stalked self-confidently over. It was this superiority of manner that caused my downfall. I balanced head down on the head of the couch and raised my feet. For a moment all went well. But my airs had been unbearable to Roy; and so, in a moment of temptation he pushed with all his small force on the foot of the couch. And down I crashed! I thought Thor's hammer had broken bounds and was destroying the house. An appalling sound of breaking slats and dislocating springs grated on my ears. I had landed in the middle of our circus ground, the couch! But the best of it was, we all laughed, even our dignified "boss." Then, filled to overflowing with the devilish longing to do more damage, we scampered for the wood-pile.

As the savage is affected by the sight of blood, so were we by this. We were started, and there was none to stop us!

A few moments' work with the hammer and nails made us each a serviceable battel axe (which consisted of a

short pole with a heavy piece of firewood nailed to the end).

Capering and yelling like Indians, we rushed pell-mell into the house and did a terrible war dance in the kitchen. Suddenly — Rip! Crash! down came the plaster from the ceiling!

"Whoop!" we yelled in a chorus, and tore, dust-begrimed and dirty, into the next room. Down came our leader's axe on the seat of a fine leather-covered chair. Around and around we went. Table were turned over and chairs scattered all around, the parlor curtains were pulled down, and Indian blankets were torn from neatly-made beds.

After we had conquered all the earth (the house), we sat down in a circle to smoke the pipe of peace. We used one of papa's pipes that had some half-smoked tobacco in it. We lit this and passed it around. Tears rushed to our eyes, but we were all too brave to show them. After the third round I rose weakly and with sickly grin and pigmy whoop, said I'd go hunt a bear for dinner. I stopped at the rain barrel. It was sunk in the ground and full of water. I ducked my head under the cooling fluid and stayed there — limp.

No balloon was ever half so buoyant as my stomach. I was oppressed by the awful fear that it would rise all the way up and I would be done for! That, with the sickening, reeling, seasick sensation, together with a buzzing hornety sound in my head, was too much. I had neither muscle to move nor brain to think.

That far I remember. All the rest is lost in the drunken feeling of a seasick passenger on a rough sea. Hornets buzzed and sang merrily. I was standing on my nose one second, falling from a dizzy height the next, and playing hide and seek with the sharks the next.

I finally got over it, but for years after I never saw a pipe without feeling my stomach turn over in a dizzy, reminiscent manner.

ARTHUR KINNANE, '18.

C. T. H. S. FALLS IN SPLENDID DEFEAT

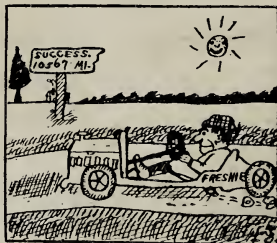
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Keller rf.....	Gaizat
Reid	
Maddox c.....	Brede
Root	
Waggoner lg.....	Davis
Sherman	
Kern fg.....	Dillon
Cruzen	.....

Field goals thrown—Gaizat 5, Webster 3, Reid 1, Dillon 1.

Goals thrown from fouls called — Webster 5, Gaizat 5.

Referee—C. Holcomb.



"WHEN I GOT A LICKIN'."

When I was a small girl, about seven years old, my parents moved on a farm. Not far from the house was an old building which had been used for a blacksmith shop by the former owner of the place. But as we did not need such a building, we used it for an implement shed.

My two brothers, Jim and Bob, and I liked to play around it.

One hot afternoon in July we were sitting under the trees telling stories. But, as this soon grew tiresome, we sought some new form of diversion, and I, as usual, thought of it first.

"Say, Jim! I know somethin' better 'n tellin' yarns."

"What is it? Climb to the top o' the house?" he asked as his mind turned to an incident a few days ago when I had dared him to climb to the top of the chicken coop; he climbed, but did not stay long; the thrill of being in such an elevated position made him long to reach Mother Earth; and, with a rather dizzy feeling he fell to the ground, which he hit pretty hard—pretty hard.

"Well, you better tell us first, fer I ain't gonna break my neck," he said, as he felt of his rather stiff neck. Not heeding Bob's "Sis, don't det too frisky," I said, "Huh, baby!"

"I ain't no baby! Come on, I dare you!" And away we went through the fence, over to the "old shop," as we called the implement shed. "Bob, you get the claw hammer, Jim, you find the old bolt we tied to the cat's tail this mornin', and I'll get this ol' sledge hammer!" I shouted.

"What in Sam Hill are you gonna do?"

"You'll see," I said, convulsed with

laughter. "I'll tell you," and I lowered my voice cautiously. "Let's see how many windows we can knock out without breakin' 'em."

"Ho! say, that's lovely." They were in for it now. It is needless to say that very few panes came out unbroken.

Late in the afternoon when papa came home we noticed he wasn't in a very good humor; I naturally felt rather guilty. But I longed to drop through the ground when I saw the look on papa's face when little Bob said: "Daddy, did 'oo see a winnows we kicked out?"

"Oh, it was you, was it? Nancy, you're at the bottom of this," said my father, as he turned angrily to me. "You children come out here."

We went, and oh! the wallop! we got. (That's the only name for it.) Soon three lusty yells were floating on the breeze.

"You see if you can't behave," said my father as he walked away. Crestfallen, we ran to our old wagon near by and crawled under it.

Oh! the thoughts which chased through our minds. Our hearts rose in rebellion at this treatment which we thought so unfair. I will not try to tell the particulars of the mutiny we proposed practising on our parents. I am ashamed to say we just hated 'em.

It was getting dark; down in the brook the bull-frogs started their orchestra, a horse in the barn neighed, and the dog, seeing the moon, began to bark.

"Let's go in," said Jim; and for

once I didn't say "Coward."

A trio of rather frightened children slipped in the back door and started to wash for supper, when mamma came in and said, "Hurry up and wash, children. There's biscuit, fried chicken and mashed potatoes."

"Wheel!" said a chorus of three, as we got ready. I said, "Jim, for mercy sake, comb your hair."

HELEN STEVENS, '18.

A Quick Thinker.

They were going on a trip.

Mrs. Trout reproachfully) — Why, dear, you bought only one ticket!

Mr. Trout (quickly)—Just like me, my dear. Always forgetting myself.

All Inclusive.

Miss Shafer—Does everyone understand that proof?

Freshie—Yes, ma'am, I do.

The English class was discussing a city located in Phrygia.

Miss Lee—Marshall, where is Phrygia?

Marshall—Why—a—a, Ah don't just exactly know, but it's that awful, awful cold zone, Ah think.

In English (explaining derivation of absent).

Teacher—"Ab" is from Latin meaning "from." Now, what does "sent" come from?

Margaret (bluffing)—Why—a—sent to, sentire, a bean.

Teacher—What is solitude?

Freshman—Old Maidry.

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Is She His?

Temple—I don't care so much what a man has in the bank, but the one I marry must have something worth while in his head.

Tudor—Dearest, I think of nothing but you!

Objection Sustained.

Mr. Trout—Do you object to war, Freda?

Freda—Yes, sir.

Mr. Trout—Will you explain why?

Freda—Because war makes more history and I just hate history.

A Mistake Corrected.

Hyacinth (meeting Miss Mitchell on the street) — Say, Miss Mitchell, I made a mistake on my exams.

Miss Mitchell—What was it?

Hyacinth—I said: "My eye is the color of my clandestine," and I meant to say "My eye is the color of my convalescent."

Miss Murray (in H. H. A.)—Salt influences the growth of cotton.

Helen Ruehl—If you taste it, would it be salty?

Miss Murray (in H. H. A.)—What is gelatine made from?

Maud—From horses' hoofs and horns.

Miss Murray—Yes. But horses haven't horns.

I Wonder.

Nina—Fritz means "good"; Hally means "beloved"; I wonder (blushing) what Carl means.

Mrs. Huddleston—I hope, my daughter, that Carl means business.

LOST—A seat. Finder please return to Lolan Shepard.

Knowledge.

Freshie—I know how much water goes over Niagara Falls to a quart.

Senior—How much?

Freshie—Two pints.



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HILLSBORO LOSES IN RETURN GAME

STATE CHAMPS OF 1914-15 FALL
BEFORE CARDINAL AND WHITE
IN FAST GAME, 18-12.

Friday night, at Turner Hall, in a return game with Hillsboro, state champs for 1913-14, C. T. H. S. came out victorious by an 18-12 score. Besides ending the 1914-15 basket ball season with a victory, C. T. H. S. also got in some practice on the floor on which the tournament will be played this week.

After about two minutes Webster started the scoring by placing a free throw for Centralia. This was soon followed by a field goal for Hillsboro by Marien. Webster then tied the score by a free shot, and Reid put Centralia ahead by a field basket, making the score 4-2. Hillsboro soon rallied, however, one point going to Stevenson's and a field goal to Kalkkamp's credit. After some rough play Reid ended the half with a free throw, bringing Centralia's tally to 8 points, Hillsboro 9.

Webster began the second half by adding two points to Centralia's score. From this point the Cardinal and White gradually drove ahead. After a few minutes Waggoner took Kern's place at guard, while Kern relieved Maddox at center. Loomis was back in the game for about five minutes, getting the kinks out of his legs and getting in trim for the big scrap next week. The game ended with C. T. H. S. six points ahead, the score being 18-12. Hillsboro made but one field goal during the half.

A noticeable feature of the game was the large number of fouls called, 16 being called during the first half and 11 during the second. Very few team plays were started and these, more often than not, fell through. Cruzen did splendid work at guard, always on the job to send the ball back into Centralia's territory.

The line-up was as follows:

Centralia	Hillsboro
Webster, Loomis, l. f.	Kortskamp
Reid r. f.	r. f.
Stephenson	

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WASHINGTON PROGRAM BY THE IRIS SOCIETY

PROGRAM CONCERNING WASH-
INGTON SHOWS HISTORICAL
SETTING AND CUSTOMS.

Friday morning in the Assembly Hall the second division of the Iris Society contributed its share to the entertainment of the societies by presenting a "Washington" program. Interesting lights were thrown on the public and private life of the great general, soldier, statesmen and American, and glimpses of the historical setting were gained.

One of the interesting features of the program was an idea of the fashions of 1796-97 as gained through letters written during that period. The only letter which has been printed, written by Washington to his wife, the one concerning his appointment to the position of Commander-in-Chief of the Continental Army, was read. C. T. H. S. students also learned that Washington was the author of the first Thanksgiving Proclamation. The first inaugural address of the first President of the United States was read by one of the members. Letters telling of the wretched conditions and life of the army at Valley Forge brought the situation of the camp vividly before the students. Something of the life on the great plantations of the time was shown, the speaker taking Washington's home as an example of this life. The Mt. Vernon of today with its stately and beautiful grounds, its spacious rooms and quaint furniture, its old associations, was vividly portrayed by one of the members of the society who recently visited the place.

A new feature was introduced into this program, taking the place of the debate, argument. Mary Parkinson stated the English side of the Revolutionary War question and Lawrence Heyduck brought forward the American side.

The program as given was as follows:

"Review of Washington's Life," Ruby Mount; "First Thanksgiving Proclamation," Lela Featherling; "Fashions" (Continued on Page 3, Col. 2.)

BIG SOCIETY CONTEST AROUSSES INTEREST

MUCH LOYALTY AND ENTHUSIASM
MANIFESTED BY RIVAL
SOCIETIES.

Final preparations for the big Inter-Society contest Thursday night are being made and enthusiasm and society loyalty run high. With one last effort and final pull contestants are seeking to gain the best possible results to show for their labors. Not only are individual contestants working hard, but the whole membership of both societies seems interested as never before. Head ball is, for a time, almost equalling basket ball in importance and enthusiasm. Society meetings, secret discussions, last rehearsals, all hold important places in the ordinary school routine of C. T. H. S.

The judges in the musical and other numbers were selected at a meeting of the Inter-Society Board last week. These judges will be from the high schools of Mt. Vernon, Du Quoin and Salem.

Plans are being formulated for decorating the Assembly Hall where the contest will be held, in the colors of the societies. The colors of the Iris are purple and gold, and those of the Delphic brown and gold, gold being the connecting link between the two societies.

The members of each society have agreed to help advertise the fast approaching contest by telling at least two outsiders of it. It would be a great boost for the school if the Intellectual Contest could be won again, and the winners of this contest will probably be the ones who will represent the school at Carbondale in the spring. Therefore, every student of C. T. H. S., whether he is a member of a society or not, should take it upon himself to advertise the contest and to work for its success.

Conscience Tells.

Freshie—Our physiognomy says we originate from monkeys.

Senior (angrily glaring at Freshie)—Who said I was a monkey?

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HOSPITALITY!

With the coming of the big South-Central tournament this week will come hundreds of basket ball players and rooters to Centralia, and while Centralia's far-famed reputation for pluck, determination and loyalty must still be upheld, and the old battle cry of "rooting! win or lose!" must still arouse opponents to envy and admiration, yet in the loyalty to our own and the stick-together spirit which must be manifested, the fact that we, students of C. T. H. S., are hosts at this big meet, must not be forgotten. It is our duty and privilege to make even our worst opponents as well as our warmest friends feel that Centralia, at least, knows how to treat a guest, how to make them feel that they are not hated rivals, merely opponents in friendly sport.

There is altogether too much thoughtlessness and careless neglect manifested. We must overcome this if we are to establish a reputation of being the most hospitable and courteous town in Illinois.

The Physiography class was discussing bushes.

Dorothy waved her hand wildly.

"Yes, Dorothy," said the teacher.

"Please, ma'am," timidly quoth Dorothy, "what kind of a bush is Anheuser Busch?"

ROSETTAS

Mr. L. C. Eyer of Bloomington, Ill., has been chosen as one of the officials at the tournament.

The classes have organized basket ball teams. The Sophomores have accepted the Freshmen challenge and the first game between them will be played some time after the tournament.

Byron Root, '15, who was absent last week on account of illness, is back at work again.

Percy Loomis, '15, much to the joy of his friends, has discarded his cane and was allowed to play for a few minutes in the game Friday night.

The basket ball girls entertained the members of the Salem team in their own homes Saturday night.

The Household Science department will serve lunch to the guests who attend the Farmers' Institute Thursday. The advanced class will do the cooking and part of the Freshmen will serve.

The panorama pictures of all the students of C. T. H. S. which were taken Thursday have been posted on the bulletin board.

Last year's basket ball team is practicing with the first team this week.

Mr. Flanagan of the Scott Foreman Co., was in the building Thursday.

Rae McKittrick, the popular Sophomore who was transplanted to Staunton, Ill., the second semester, will be here for the tournament.

It has been learned that the referee for the tournament comes from Bloomington.

Merritt McDowell is back in school after a second absence caused by illness.

Earl Root, who discontinued school after the first semester, has been ill with popular basket ball malady.

Miss Riebel had a week-end guest, Miss Fern Reed of the Salem faculty. Miss Reed is a sorority sister of Pauline Bundy, '13, of Northwestern.

Mr. Floyd Stables, our last year's coach, is to referee at the Carbondale tournament.

The report that Nashville was to run a special train to the tournament must be abandoned. Nashville can't afford to "buy a railroad," but will send a large crowd of rooters, however.

Fae Pittenger-Brown entertained a club and several invited guests on Saturday afternoon.

Centralia Camp Fire Girls had a theater party at the performance of "Peg o' My Heart," Thursday night.

Mr. Tubbs has received a letter from the University of Illinois, asking him to arouse interest among the students concerning the Rhodes scholarship.

The basket ball team is practicing in Turner Hall each evening after school to get in shape for the tournament.

GERMAN CLUB MEETING.

A meeting of the German Club was held last Wednesday evening at the home of Jean Fyke. The meeting was called to order by the president, Jean Fyke. A short program was rendered, which was as follows: Report of the treasurer; reading of the minutes, and a vocal duet by Jennie Grace Terpinitz and Antonia Fischbacha.

The business of the meeting was an election of officers, conducted in German, which was very interesting. It seems that the corruption of politics has spread into every place possible, the German club not excluded. Jean Fyke, who has been a very loyal president throughout the last semester, was unanimously re-elected. Walter Storer was elected secretary on the second ballot, the first one being exceedingly stuffed. Wilson Storer, who has also served the club faithfully the past year, was again elected as treasurer. Florence Gott was elected vice-president. There was an attempt to pass a law charging a one-cent fine for each English word spoken during club meetings, but this was killed before being committed.

The president has appointed a program committee consisting of Miss Erbes, Antonia Fischbacha, Jean Fyke, Alden Perrine and Leon Sherman.

After business was conducted refreshments were served by the hostess. Several games were played which everyone present enjoyed. The meeting adjourned at 10 o'clock. The next meeting will be held within two weeks at the home of Augusta and Temple Fike.

Mercy!

What would happen if someone walked into the Assembly Hall with the height of Lolan Shepherd, weight of Lola Hays, smile of Sula Brown, flightiness of Aurora Quinton, feet of Edith Robertson, hair combed like Victor Prudent, smartness of Walter Storer, and the mouth of Helen Ruhl?

(We hesitate to announce the results. Not written by Squiblet editor; author unknown.)

How Vegetable.

Francis Rogiers—Wasn't Mary a Stuart?

Mr. Trout—Yes, but her husband was an Orange.

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IN RETURN GAME

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ALUMNI NOTES

Miss Lila May Sligar, '11, was married to Mr. Howard Stitts of Cham-paign, Feb. 15, at the home of her parents. The wedding was elaborate and beautiful. After a trip to New Orleans they will be at home in Cham-paign.

Mrs. Clyde Nichols (Carrie Rhodes, '10) and Miss Eoline Allman, '10, at-tended the Eastern Star School of in-struction in East St. Louis last week.

Mrs. S. C. Ashton (Grace Hewitt, '04) of Kansas City is visiting her sis-ter, Miss Maude Hewett, '02, who is principal of the Washington school.

Mrs. G. C. Stockman (Pearl Jen-nings, '09), of Carbondale, is visiting her sister, Dr. L. C. Jennings.

Miss Theresa Rohl, '02, is visiting in St. Louis.

Dr. Carl Cunningham, '05, attended clinics in St. Louis last week, and also enjoyed the 49th annual alumni asso-ciation meeting of Washington Univer-sity, of which he is a graduate.

Mrs. V. E. Joy (Ella Brewster, '96), and her husband have just returned from a visit in Florida.

Mrs. J. M. Parkinson is visiting in St. Louis with her daughter, Eloise, '12, who is doing journalistic work there, following her preparation at the University of Illinois.

Mrs. Ben W. Kaelin (Miss Merle Shanklin), is visiting her mother and sisters here.

Thelma Gilpin, '14, will be home in time for the tournament.

The engagement of Miss Gleana Pei-fer, '11, to H. E. Gildehaus of this city, was announced Saturday.

WASHINGTON PROGRAM BY THE IRIS SOCIETY

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in 1796-97," Edith Robertson; "Wash-ington's First Inaugural Address," Ar-thur Kinnane; "One of Washington's Letters to His Wife," Helen Osterholz; vocal solo, Jessie White; "Life at Val-ley Forge," Lawrence Benjaminson; Argument, Mary Parkinson; Argu-ment, Lawrence Heyduck; "Plantation Life," Carl Keller; "Mt. Vernon To-day," Jean Fyke; piano solo; Clara Schroeter.



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SQUIBBLETS

Helen—What is a man called who sews?

Freshie (whispering)—Awkward.

She Didn't Notice.

Friend—Did you notice that good-looking fellow who sat behind us in the picture show?

Mayme—Oh, that one with the swell pompadour and great big brown eyes who wore a blue suit and a red necktie? No, I didn't notice him. Why?

Explained.

Mr. Trout—Florence, why were the coins of Massachusetts called pine-tree coins?

Florence—I don't know. Guess they were made of pine.

A Boat and a Dog.

Miss Riebel—Spell "barque."

Freshie—B-a-r-k.

Miss Riebel—Illustrate.

Freshie—Bow-wow!

Too True!

Teacher—What is a parasite?

Hyacinth—Something that lives off of something alive.

Teacher—Give an example.

Hyacinth—Fleas—on dogs.

TWO BASKET BALL GAMES ARE WON FROM SALEM

Girls Win, 28-1.

Centralia will soon have a reputation for girls' basket ball as well as boys'. The way in which the Centralia girls' basket ball team put it over their Salem rivals Saturday night in the high school gym made the rooters take notice. The pluck and courage displayed despite bumps and knocks was equal to that of any boy. Because they were girls they did not have to stop and weep over broken heads and bruised arms. And it was a fight from start to finish. Not only that, but it was convincingly proved, notwithstanding the heavy guarding of their opponents, that girls could shoot goals, for Centralia's forwards, Augusta and Temple Fike, succeeded in running up 28 points to Salem's one tally.

This is the second game Centralia has won from Salem this year, the first one being in the Salem gym. The line-up for Centralia's team was as follows: Temple Fike, lf; Augusta Fike, rf; Grace Whitlock, c; Edith Robertson, lg; Florence Saxer, rg.

Ponies Win, 17-17.

Just before this contest the Centralia "Ponies" defeated the Salem second team in an exciting game, 17-7. The quality of goal shooting and team work displayed promise well for future C. T. H. stars. The Ponies were composed of the following: G. Kohl rf; H. Boyle, lf; H. Stout, c; B. Van Paten, rg; D. Doolen, lg.

Found in a Real English IV Theme.

We met an old darkey who was driving a donkey to a cart, which was blind in both eyes.

LYRIC THEATRE

Thursday, Feb. 24.—11th episode of

"The Master Key," a Vitagraph. Also

"A Daughter of Israel," two parts.

Saturday, Feb. 26—"The Intriguers,"

a Lubin, in two parts. "Broncho Billy and the False Note."

GEM THEATRE

Friday, Feb. 26—"Zudora" in the "\$20,000,000 Mine Mystery."

Monday, March 1—Special two-reel Keystone, "Hogan's Aristocratic Dream."

Tuesday—"Runaway June," episode No. 6.

Wednesday—"Renfax Talking and Singing Pictures." Admission 10c and 20c.

Thursday—Final episode of "The Million Dollar Mystery."

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THE SPRING

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GRANITE CITY CHAMPIONS IN SOUTH CENTRAL TOURNAMENT

NASHVILLE'S HOPES FOR CHAMPIONSHIP DEFEATED IN
FAST GAME BY BIG SCORE, 44-25---REID ON
SECOND ALL-STAR TEAM.

Standing of Teams.

First—Granite City.
Second—Collinsville.
Third—Nashville.
Fourth—Centralia, Mt. Carmel, tie.

All-Star Team.

Center—C. Schroeder, Nashville.
Forward—T. Lewis, Granite City.
Forward—H. Kneidler, Collinsville.
Guard—Butler, Granite City.
Guard—Dillon, Collinsville.
T. Lewis, captain.

Second All-Star Team.

Center—Brede, Collinsville.
Forward—T. Reid, Centralia.
Forward—Nolte, Centralia.
Guard—Howell, Kinnmundy.
Guard—Sayler, Nashville.
Brede, captain.

For the third time in four years the plucky defenders of the red and black have snatched a championship for Granite City. Three years ago Centralia was defeated here in the final game by Granite City, last year they won at Shelbyville, and now they will go to the state meet at Bloomington.

The final game with Nashville, which resulted in the 44-25 victory, was a fight from the start. Nashville started the scoring and brought the rooters to their feet by making the first field goal. Granite City followed up with a field goal and kept following up. Before the game was fairly started, Granite City, by excelling in team work and passing, had put Nashville on the defensive, where they kept them during the contest. The Granite City boys showed themselves superior throughout the entire game in the speed with which they covered the floor, and their accuracy in shooting baskets. The score at the end of the first half showed Granite City leading, 20-14. In the second half they doubled the score over the blue and white team, making the final score 44-25.

To T. Lewis of the Granite City team should be given a good share of the credit of the victory; against the heavy guarding to which he was always subjected he managed to make nine field goals and seven free shots. From any part of the field, skillfully

evading his guard, he blocked the enemy's plays, started team plays, dodged, worked, and always ended by slipping the ball into the basket. Real basket ball fans cannot praise his pluck, determination and skill too highly.

The line-up for the game was as follows:

Granite City	Nashville
T. Lewis	lf..... Nolte
E. Lewis	rf..... Seyler
Holdinghaus	c..... Schroeder
Mueller	lg..... Watts
Butler	rg..... Hildebrand
Field goals	— T. Lewis 9, Nolte 3,
Seyler 4, Schroeder 2, E. Lewis 2,	
Holdinghaus 2, Mueller 1, Butler 4.	
Free goals—T. Lewis 7, Hildebrand 7, Butler 1.	

Collinsville-Nashville.

Shortly after the championship game between Granite City and Nashville, Collinsville and Nashville played for second place. The game was a fast and interesting one, the purple and white men showing their superiority in goal shooting and team work at all stages of the game. The final score showed Collinsville leading, 45-15.

Collinsville-Mt. Carmel.

The unexpected dark horse of the tournament showed up Friday morning when Mt. Carmel dashed the championship hopes of Collinsville by a 21-17 victory. Collinsville was fully expected by all dopesters to be in the finals and there were high hopes of a victory. The game was a fight from start to finish and much credit is due Mt. Carmel for the splendid fight they put up.

Centralia-Kinnmundy.

A great surprise and almost a calamity came to Centralia during the game with Kinnmundy Friday afternoon when Centralia won, 25-20. The first half found C. T. H. S. leading, 15-7, but Kinnmundy came back so strong in the second half that the Centralia rooters became frantic. Loomis saved the game for Centralia by his goal shooting, scoring seven free shots and two field baskets. The game was hotly contested throughout.

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SOCIETY CONTEST WON BY IRIS

SECOND ANNUAL INTER-SOCIETY
CONTEST GOES TO IRIS
SOCIETY, 6-3.

The second annual Inter-Society Contest was won by the Iris Society last Thursday night in the high school auditorium by a margin of three points. The contest was a success from every standpoint and was witnessed by a large crowd of students and townspeople. Of the eight events entered, the debate counting two points and each other event one point, the Iris Society won out in five events and the Delphic in three. The six judges were chosen from Mt. Vernon, Nashville and Ashley, three for the musical and three for the other events. They were: Miss Hargreave and R. A. Summers of Ashley, Mr. and Mrs. Hiss of Nashville, and Miss Bond and Miss Haughey of Mt. Vernon.

The events and contestants in the order of their appearing are as follows: Boy's declamation — Winner, William Bellamy (Iris) on "A Plea for Cuba," by John M. Thurston. The Delphic contestant, Leon Sherman, gave "The New South," by Henry Grady.

The second event was the girl's solo which was won for the Iris Society by Jennie Grace Terpinitz, who sang "The Blind Girl's Song" from "La Gioconda," by A. Ponchielli. Mazie Sullivan of the Delphic Society sang "The Spirit Flower."

James Armstrong won the oration for the Iris Society on "Maritime Progress." Alden Perrine contested for the Delphic with "Watch, Therefore."

The debate, "Resolved: That the Shipping of Munitions of War by U. S. to Belligerent Countries Should be Stopped," was decided in favor of the affirmative, upheld by Vivian Myers and John Finch of the Iris, Augusta Pike and David Perrine of the Delphic Society supported the negative.

The extempore was won by Antonia Fischbach of the Iris Society, on "The Mexican Situation." May Wallace of the Delphic spoke on "The Ship Purchase Bill."

Harry Davis of the Delphic Society won the boy's solo. He sang "Because" by Guy D. Hardelot. Merritt McDowell of the Iris Society sang "A Winter Lullaby" by Kowen.

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LEST WE FORGET.

Now that the long-heralded and long-looked-for South Central tournament is but a part of history, soon to pass from thought but never to be forgotten, let us, by going back to mid-night oil and damp towels, concentrate our thoughts, one and all, on the business of the present.

The need for hospitable effort and hoarse shouting is over for the present, the return to monotonous study is inevitable, if we would not flunk. Great games have been fought, and won or lost; great victories are yet to be won. Let's get to work, if only to see how much we can do.

We would all like to express, through the medium of "The Sphinx" our sincere appreciation of the liberal patronage and staunch support which the townspeople so gladly gave both to the Literary Society Contest and to the Basket Ball Tournament. Without such support neither of these contests could have been the undoubted success which they were. The greater the interest shown and the greater the crowds which give evidence of this interest, the wider will be the influence and fame of C. T. H. S. spread. We need your interest and co-operation and we appreciate your help in boosting the school along.

Poultry.

The dreadful drama known as war
Most certainly is Hades!
But there's one thing we're thankful for—
It has no leading ladies.

ROSETTAS

George Farris, a former C. T. H. S. student, was in Centralia during the tournament.

Nashville's band came to town Saturday to see the championship game.

Temple Pike was awarded the box of candy given by Mr. Bostwick to the most loyal girl rooter during the tournament. Tom Reid, who received a place on the second all-star team, received the box of candy given to the best C. T. H. S. basket ball player.

The members of the first and second teams received pennants, given by George Kehias of the College Inn, in recognition of the faithful work done during the season.

Edith Stormont of Salem was the guest of Augusta and Temple Pike during the tournament.

Fae Shuttleworth was home for the tournament.

Lulu Sellers and Clarence Amos have passed the Underwood test in typewriting, of forty words each minute for ten minutes on new material. Lulu wrote 45 words and Clarence 44. John Finch and Sydney Pick have passed the same test on the Remington typewriter. John writes 45 words and Sydney 41.

GRANITE CITY CHAMPIONS IN SOUTH CENTRAL TOURNAMENT

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 2.)

Granite City-Mt. Carmel.

The most closely contested and hair raising game in the entire meet was that between Granite City and Mt. Carmel Friday night, when Granite City won by one point, 37-36. As the score indicates, the game was almost a tie, and was a constant pull from one goal to the other. Lewis again starred for Granite City, while Jordan of Mt. Carmel tossed six field baskets and eleven free shots. The score at the end of the first half stood: Granite City 21, Mt. Carmel 20.

Centralia-Granite City.

Centralia's hopes for the championship departed Friday morning when she fell in a hard-fought battle before Granite City, 24-17. Both teams were in the game from the start, expecting a fight. During the first part of the game the score was tied almost the whole time, Granite City following up each goal made by C. T. H. S. Gradually, however, the red and black men forged ahead, making the score at the end of the first half 14-12 in their favor. The work of Webster in this game deserves much credit, for he held the star Granite City forward down to two field goals and three free throws during the game. The work of Tom Reid in making long shots also deserves honorable mention. The line-up:

Centralia—Loomis lf, Reid rf, Root c, Cruzen lg, Webster rg.

Granite City—T. Lewis lf, E. Lewis rf, Holdinghaus c, Mueller lg, Butler rg.

Final Scores.

Centralia 28, Ashley 12.
Mt. Carmel 21, Collinsville 17.
Granite City 43, St. Elmo 19.
Salem 35, Vandalia 19.
Nashville 46, Alton 16.
Centralia 25, Kinnmundy 20.

Collinsville 73, Ashley 3.
Granite City 37, Mt. Carmel 36.
Nashville 44, Salem 19.
St. Elmo 30, Vandalia 13.
Collinsville 23, Kinnmundy 11.
Mt. Carmel 16, St. Elmo 6.
Salem 17, Alton 10.
Granite City 24, Centralia 17.
Collinsville 45, Centralia 25.
Granite City 44, Nashville 25.
Collinsville 45, Nashville 15.

Literal.

A Freshman theme read: "The people of London are noted for their stupidity."

The teacher, in a shocked voice, inquired the reason for this statement. "Why," answered the Freshie, "it says in the textbook that the population of London are very dense."

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OLD NATIONAL BANK**ALUMNI NOTES**

Thelma Gilpin, '14, was home from Carbondale Normal for the tournament.

Leila Cope, '14, of Tonti, visited with friends during the tournament.

Rowena Kohl, '14, was recently initiated into the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority at Illinois University.

Burnham Walraven, '12, of Illinois University, spent the week-end at home and rooted at the tournament.

Wallace Holcomb, '12, visited at home during the tournament.

C. T. H. S. TO CONTEST WITH MT. VERNON

Preparations are being made for a dual intellectual meet between Centralia and Mt. Vernon, to be held April 16 in these two cities. Two teams of seven members each will be selected from each school, one of which will remain at home and contest the visiting team, the other one to go away and contest in the other city. Seven events will be entered in the contest: Boy's solo, girl's solo, instrumental solo, extempore, declamation, recitation, and boys' or girls' quartette. Each school will have but one boys' and girls' quartette. One of these quartettes will go away to contest, while the other will remain at home to meet the visiting quartette. These two contests are to take place at the same time in the separate cities.

In order to select representatives for the school in the various events, a free-for-all contest will be held one week from today, March 10, when not only society contestants but any member of the school may enter the race. It is hoped that an added interest in intellectual events will be stimulated by these contests with the old rivals of C. T. H. S.

Weakly Advice to the Students.

I hereby advise all students not to weep over past and unwon glories. Tears are the salt of life. If you don't believe it, taste 'em. If you lose the salt from your body you will be unable to cry for joy whenever it may be necessary, because you will have wasted all the salt in your body in weeping over regrettable things. Regrettable things are things we regret. (P. S. See Webster.) Also, as all girls know, weeping makes your nose red, your eyes swelled, and deep furrows in your powder. As powder has gone up since the war, it is advisable not to weep, because you will have to put on more powder and thus cause your father to rave over your extravagance. As I said before, salt is the staff of life, if it is put into bread, and for this reason, cease, desist, stop weeping.

Support for Proxy.

"I move," quoth a dignified Senior, "that we vote by proxy."

"All right," answered his wise brother, "what is Proxy's first name?"

Miss Riebel—The human body contains sulphur in varying quantities.

Hyacinth—That's the reason some girls make better matches than others, ain't it?

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Teacher—If a basket ball goes fifty feet in one second, how far will it go in three?

Basket Ball Boy—It's accordin' to the guards, ma'am.

Beware!

Pupil (reading)—He who hesitates is lost.

Teacher—Do you hesitate?

Pupil—No, ma'am. I tango.

First Bright Girl—Are they going to give a banquet to the Freshmen?

Second Bright Girl—Why, no. What made you think so?

First Bright Girl—Oh, nothing. Only I saw seven quarts of milk on the ice-box in the Domestic Science room.

Echoes From the Contest.

"I know I won't get it."

"She said it was a shrine. It ain't. It's a bust of Abe Lincoln."

"James waved his arm wrong."

"I'm awful glad I'm a Irish."

"Sounds like a praphophone."

"He said it was head-ball. Where's the balls?"

"Say, I'm gonna talk to the judges. Where do they sit?"

"Wonder if they'll gimme a good grade on my face?"

Too True.

Miss Lee—Name three kinds of sentences.

Freshie—Death sentence, penitentiary sentence and jail sentence.

A High School maiden had taken her little sister to the theatre with her. The little girl kept twisting in her seat so her sister said, angrily:

"If you are so nervous now, what'll be when you're as old as I am?"

"An old maid, I suppose," meekly answered the little sister.

Sayings in American History.

"All I remember is Evangeline" (always the feminine).

"Charles II's head was cut off and that ended the war for him."

"The first Dutchman we will take up is an Englishman."

Modified Spelling.

Miss Lee—Evelyn, spell the possessive of "who."

Evelyn (hesitatingly) — Oh, ah — h-o-s-e.

SOCIETY CONTEST

WON BY IRIS

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"The Piper," by Josephine Peabody, given by Madge Tucker of the Delphic Society was the winner in the girl's recitation. Katherine Miller gave "The Lost Word," by Henry Van Dyke.

The final number, the instrumental solo, was won by Freda Dardis of the Delphic Society, who played "Prelude No. 1" by Czerwonky, and "To a Wild Rose," from "Woodland Sketches," by McDowell. Ruby Smith played "The Rustle of Spring" by Christian Sinding.

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Friday, Mar. 5—"Tracked by the Hounds," a two-part Edison drama, with Gladys Hulette.

Saturday, Mar. 6—Arthur Jolmson and Lottie Briscoe in "Comrade Kitten," a two-reel Lubin drama.

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MAY FESTIVAL PLANS ARE PROGRESSING

MARY PARKINSON ELECTED MAY QUEEN—PLANS FOR OUT-DOOR PLAY BEING MADE.

Plans for the annual May Festival which is to be held on the east campus of C. T. H. S. on or about the first of May are gradually being formulated and hold promise of great things to come. The election of a May queen was held Friday evening after school when the girls of C. H. H. S. chose Mary Parkinson to fill this important position. This is one of the greatest honors which it is within the power of the high school girls to bestow on a fellow student, and the fact that Mary was chosen shows how highly her friends regard her. The tellers at the election were the girls who hold office in the different classes and in the literary societies. Marjorie Brenneman received the next highest number of votes and hence will be Maid of Honor. The four girls next in order, who will be attendants of the queen, are Freda Dardis, Augusta Fike, Jessie Beaver and Ruby Smith.

Plans for the May Festival this year are more extensive and elaborate than ever before. The gym class has been at work on folk dances all winter and some good dancers have shown up from that material. Arrangements for on out-of-door play to be given the day of the festival are also under consideration and the cast for this play will be picked some time in the near future. Contrary to the other festival plans, the cast of the play will not be confined merely to the girls of the school, but will include the boys as well.

In the "Movies."

"A Human Soul"—in three parts.
Tonight! "Zudora"—in two parts.
"A Bird's a Bird"—in two reels (and then only!)

Come to the "Call of Fate"—in five parts. (Why not on the whole?)

The Thanhouse Kid!—plays to night. (Menagerie?)

TURNERS FALL VICTIM TO C. T. H. S. TEAM

BIG MEN NO MATCH TO C. T. H. S. IN TEAMWORK—GIRLS WIN OUT OVER SANDOVAL.

In a game characterized by swift teamwork and sure passing, the C. T. H. S. basket ball boys outplayed their Turner opponents in a rather one-sided battle at Turner Hall Friday night, by a top-heavy score of 50-8. Notwithstanding the fact that their older opponents outweighed the defenders of C. T. H. S., the all-winter practice gained by the Cardinal and White boys told in skill and swiftness and succeeded in piling up the score to their credit. From the start C. T. H. S. seized the offensive, forcing their opponents to take the defensive. With the first sound of the whistle, their excellent team work was in evidence. Scarcely a minute had passed before the ball was under Centralia's goal and Reid had landed a basket. From then on the score continued to climb until it stood 18-4 in favor of C. T. H. S. at the end of the first half.

The second half was much like the first, except that the score piled up faster than ever, due to the excellent goal shooting of the forwards. Tutor Boyle evinced plainly his ability as a basket ball star by his efficient playing and made clear his ability to make next year's team. The team which played was not the regular high school squad, several second team men being put into the line-up. The high school line-up was as follows: H. Boyle, lf; T. Reid, rf; B. Root, c; C. Doolen, lg; E. Waegoner, rg.

C. T. H. S. Girls 12, Sandoval 4.

In a game exemplifying the fact that girls can be true goal shooters and real guards, the Centralia girls humbled their rivals from Sandoval by a 12-4 score, thus returning their own defeat at Sandoval several weeks ago. Augusta and Temple Fike again starred at forward positions, while Edith Robertson and Catherine Miller held down the places at guard and Grace Whitlock played center. All of Sandoval's points were made from free shots from fouls called.

INTERSCHOLASTIC PROSPECTS GOOD

DUAL MEET WITH MT. VERNON WILL GIVE C. T. H. S. AN IDEA OF STANDING.

The date for the annual interscholastic track meet and intellectual contest to be held at the Carbondale Normal University has been set for Friday, May 7. This contest is an all-important event on the horizon of C. T. H. S., and renders the results of the Delphic-Iris Society contest and final free-for-all contest matters of vital interest to the whole school.

Last year marked the first entry of C. T. H. S. into such a contest and the results gained from such a beginning were well worth the effort. C. T. H. S. placed first in the intellectual contest by the winning of the girl's recitation, boy's declamation and boy's solo, and brought home the piece of statuary which now holds such an important place in the Hall of Fame. Centralia also made a splendid showing in the track meet, winning second place through the excellent work of Davis and Loomis.

This year C. T. H. S. hopes to do as great things. The dual contest with Mt. Vernon, which has been set for April 16, will put Centralia's representatives in practice and give them an opportunity to compare their ability with that of the contestants from Mt. Vernon. From all reports Mt. Vernon is doing some hard work towards the dual contest and also expects to give C. T. H. S. a hard race at Carbondale. Centralia, however, expects to do just as hard work and intends to make any opponent realize the strength of C. T. H. S.

There was a young man from Key West,

He ate beef stew with very much zest;

He ate without stopping,

Until a loud popping,

And the buttons flew off of his vest.

Hyacinth: You don't have to dig very far for iron, do you? As I was digging one time I found some.

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It is this kind of training which the literary societies offer. If only the fear of facing an audience has been overcome, much has been accomplished and the time spent in sometimes seemingly uninteresting work has not been spent in vain. As a practical help to the students as well as a means of affording entertainment every week or of spreading abroad the fame of C. T. H. S., there is nothing of more importance in the school. If we, not only as students of C. T. H. S., but also as future men and women, could only realize our opportunities and grasp them while they are still ours to grasp, we would not be doing a mere duty for the good of the school or of someone else, but we would be receiving a lasting benefit.

Mr. Patrick: Harry, where do we find great quantities of marble?

Harry S.: In graveyards.

ROSETTAS

The German Club met at the home of Augusta and Temple Fike Wednesday evening. Only thirteen guests were present, but a very enjoyable evening was spent, games and music being features of the entertainment. The new law of a one-cent fine for every English word spoken during the program was enforced for the first time.

Mr. Hieronymus, the community advisor of the University of Illinois, visited at the high school Friday morning.

The Landscape Gardening class has just finished trimming the trees on the campus and as a result the campus has a much improved appearance.

Mr. Shrieve of Henry Holt & Co. was a high school visitor Thursday.

County Supt. of Schools M. A. Thrasher visited C. T. H. S. last week. Report cards for the first period of the second semester were given out Monday.

Rumor is afloat that the president of the Iris Society has resigned from his duties for the remainder of the year.

The Senior play committee has been appointed by the president of the Senior class.

The Ceneca Camp held its regular weekly meeting at the home of Mary Parkinson Thursday evening.

Eight girls from whom the Girls' Quartette which will represent C. T. H. S. in the contest against Mt. Vernon will be chosen, have been selected from the members of the Girls' Glee Club.

The Glee Club has been disbanded for the time being. Instead the girls' octet will practice Mondays and Wednesdays of each week.

Track practice began Tuesday evening as the result of an extended meeting of boys interested in track athletics, which was held Monday evening.

There was a meeting of the class basketball teams Monday after school.

THE WHISTLER.

It was a corner where the cars stopped. A dozen men and women were waiting. Suddenly there rose on the evening air a burst of song. Richard Marshall forgot the car he was waiting for. He was back in England, listening to the triumphant gladness of the skylark's song as the bird hung, a mere speck in the sky, and poured out its heart's joy. There came a moment of silence and then the notes of "Auld Lang Syne" thrilled softly on the air. Marshall turned to a man who stood beside him.

"It's a human bird," the other man said. "Fine imitation, isn't it?"

A car came up and stopped with a grinding of brakes. The young man did not board it. He was listening to the song of the mocking bird; he could almost see the swelling of the southern songster's throat.

The music evidently came from a basement workshop, "Paul Haskin, Tailor. Men's Clothing Renovated and Pressed," the sign said.

Richard descended the steps.

"Can I do anything for you, sir?"

The speaker was perhaps thirty-five years old. He was busy pressing a coat.

"You can tell me where the inspiration comes from," Richard answered.

A peculiar smile came to the workman's lips. "From an aching leg," was the reply. Richard's eyes, meeting his, noted the lines of pain under them. "But the music was full of gladness," he mused.

"Why not? There's gladness in the world in spite of pain. I'm not sure that those who know about pain don't know some things about gladness that the crowd misses. Anyhow, better whistle than groan. There are times when it has to be one thing or the other."

Richard noticed that as he moved across the room he drew one leg after him stiffly.

"I fell from the rigging of a schooner and I can't get about much," the tailor explained. "The leg never gives me much ease."

"And men in the street above hear bird songs, and catch a reflection of the joy that is in the world," Richard returned.

Paul Haskin's smile deepened. "Pain usually makes a man break silence," he said. "I've gone round the world a bit and know many a bird's song. Whistling's as good an easier of pain as grumbling and people like better to listen to it. It's grown into a habit, and I whistle now when the leg forgets to ache as well as when it's bad. Habit's a great thing, but a man must look out that it's not a habit of growling."

FRANCES ROGIER, '15.

Liberal.

"I say," thundered the orator in American History, reading a speech, "Gimme liberty or gimme death!"

Ray, who was half asleep in the back of the room, looked up and murmured. "Take it, take it. I don't need them things, anyway."

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Mrs. Sig Kaufman (Esther Hoffman, '02) of Salem spent last Sunday with her parents in Centralia.

Mr. Raymond Courtney, 1900, was in Centralia Saturday on business. He is superintendent of school in Richview.

Mr. J. Shtrawn Condit, 1900, of Gillespie, made a brief stay in Centralia last week.

Berthold Keown, '07, of Chicago, visited his parents recently. Since graduating at Illinois in the mechanical engineering course he has been with the Northwestern R. R. in Chicago.

Mrs. W. F. Besant (Ethel Dickerson, '97) was in Cairo and Duquoin last week.

Mrs. Pauline Patier, '96, of Cairo, is visiting her father, Mr. Joseph Heftner.

Bobby's Introduction.

Bobby was only four. But what of that? Couldn't he do almost everything Daddy did? Of course, he didn't smoke, but he could put his leg over the arm of his little chair in the same way that Daddy put his leg over his chair. He could read the paper, too, even upside down, but he didn't see how Daddy could read the uninteresting thing so long, especially since his leg became so tired from being in the uncomfortable position that he had to ask Daddy to take his foot down so that he could do the same thing.

One bright sunny morning Mamma took Bobby down town. He saw all the pretty things in the windows, but he didn't like it in the dry goods stores where there was nothing to see except clothes of every description. In one of the stores Mamma met her friends, Mrs. Jones. Mrs. Jones had a friend with her whom she introduced to Mamma. Bobby had never seen an introduction before and he listened attentively to all that was said.

That night Daddy brought a friend home to supper. Bobby thought Mr. Smith a very interesting man, but after supper he suddenly remembered that Daddy had forgotten to introduce him to Baby Brother. So he went up to Mr. Smith and said, "Please come into this next room."

Mr. Smith, somewhat amazed, followed Bobby into the room and was led up to the bed of Baby. Then said Bobby, with a grand bow and a wave of his hand to the cradle where Baby lay peacefully sleeping, "Mr. Smith, I want to introduce you to my brother, William James."

WALTER STORER. '15.

Sanibel Editor (timidly): Please, Mr. Trout, may I convey everything you say?

Mr. Trout (confused): I don't know. Why?

Sanibel Editor (preparing to depart): Because I need some jokes.

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SQUIBLET'S

Weakly Advice.

I will attempt to explain to you this week how to appease the faculty and get a grade of one hundred plus. In the first place, never chew gum. It is very extravagant and causes much loss of shoe leather in walking to the waste basket and throwing the aforesaid gum in that receptacle. Also this habit is not only against the rules of the school, but also against the United States Constitution. For authority on this point see Mr. Tubbs.

Always agree with your teacher. For instance, when he asks you to tell the story of George Washington and the apple tree, do not correct him. Go ahead and tell him about the immense apples which grew on the tree, and the way George used to eat them, and so forth. The teacher will smile and give you ten.

If he tells a joke, no matter where he got it, laugh and put it in the contribution box. The Squiblet editor is thankful for small favors. Never laugh at the wrong time. It will cause the teacher to lose its (I cannot use too much gender) dignity, and this is one thing a teacher hates to lose.

Always have your lesson. If this lesson is 40 pages long simply spend three hours and ten minutes on it, look up every word, outline it completely and he will give you 75. There are many other things you could do, such as not powdering your nose even if you are going to see your girl, and not staying until midnight at the school, but I cannot tell you everything. If you wish any more advice on this matter, put a letter in the contribution box and it will be answered immediately if not sooner.

Miss Riebel: Proteids are used for energy.

Various contortions by Hyacinth, such as moving backwards and attempting to uproot desk.

Miss Riebel: Hyacinth, you have been eating too much proteid!

Miss Lee: Name several Russian composers.

Small Freshie (timidly): Please, ma'am, I'd rather say the alphabet backwards.

German student (reading life of Goethe): Goethe ist tot.

Second German Student: Gott sie dank.

A burglar broke into our school the other night. He broke a small hole in the office above the lock. There were many conjectures as to how the basket ball was stolen.

"Why," contributed Aurora, "I don't think it was a burglar. He couldn't get through so small a hole."

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NO FREE-FOR-ALL CONTEST NEEDED

ONLY ONE CHANGE MADE IN THE
INTER-SOCIETY LINE-UP—
IN BOY'S SOLO.

Last Wednesday afternoon, March 10, was the time scheduled for the free-for-all tryouts which were to decide the people who would represent C. T. H. S. as contestants in the dual contests between Centralia and Mt. Vernon in each of the two cities on April 16. It was understood that in this contest anyone in the school might take part, since two teams composed of the best material C. T. H. S. possesses would be necessary in order to bring about the results hoped for and to defeat our old rivals, Mt. Vernon.

The Mt. Vernon-Centralia contest has been cut to seven numbers. This will exclude the oration and debate which were entered in the Inter-Society Contest here and include the boys' and girls' quartette, which were not numbered in the contest between the two societies.

In the free-for-all contest the names of the Inter-Society contestants were entered automatically unless the participants wished to withdraw. If there were no more than two contestants in each event there was no need of holding a contest, since two teams would have to be chosen, anyway. Only one change was, therefore, made necessary in the line-up used in the literary society contest, since but two contestants entered for each event. This change occurred in the boys' solo and did not necessitate a try-out. James Armstrong and Harry Davis will represent Centralia in the boys' solo, James replacing Merritt McDowell, who withdrew from the contest.

Query.

A Freshman wants to know if petroleum jelly is good to eat?

Hyacinth—Miss Mitchell asked me how near the same size you and I are and I told her you came to here on me (measuring on head).

Evelyn—Well, there isn't anything in that part of your head, anyway, so I don't care.

Ray Root, one of our prominent actors, has undergone the serious operation of having his arm set. It was out of place three times. For further reference see Nina Huddleston.

ST. PATRICK AND IRISH PROGRAM

DELPHIC SOCIETY GIVES PRO-
GRAM ON IRISH LITERA-
TURE.

The second section of the Delphic Literary Society gave a program Friday morning at the usual time in the Assembly Hall.

This program, like the two before, had a famous man as its theme. This one combined the subjects of Irish literature with the life of Saint Patrick.

The speakers who took up the various divisions of the work of Saint Patrick told many interesting facts concerning the life of the man. Saint Patrick's famous exploit of ridding Ireland of snakes was not forgotten, as neither was his more serious labor of converting the then barbaric Irish to Christianity. The untrustworthiness of all historic accounts of Saint Patrick's life and the conflicting dates given by different authorities as the correct ones for his birth and death were mentioned. A brief estimate of his importance was also given.

Two numbers of the program which were greatly enjoyed were a synopsis of an Irish play, given by Helen Means and two readings by Sula Brown. The play, "Spreading the News," is one of Lady Gregory's famous Irish plays, which are noted for portraying Irish life. Although the complications taking place during the play might have happened in any country, the characters are distinctively Irish. The musical numbers were good, as were also the extempores.

The following numbers made up the program: Piano duet, Grace Whitlock and Marguerite Umshler; extempore, "Who Was St. Patrick?", Walter Storer; extempore, "The Origin of St. Patrick's Day," Robert Robertson; reading, "Concerning Mrs. Flannagan," May Wallis; piano, Nina Huddleston; extempore, "Why Saint Patrick Was Made a Saint," Gerald Kohl; reading, Sula Brown; an Irish poem, "When the Cows Come Home," Anna Frank; synopsis of an Irish play, "Spreading the News," Helen Means; vocal duet, Florence Friedenstein and Erma White.

Confessions of a Freshie.

I am just a little Freshie,

And for knowledge I am keen,
I'm not exactly stupid,

But just a little green.

—E. V., '18.

FRESH CHAMPS IN CLASS TOURNEY

PLUCKY FIGHTERS WIN OUT OVER
SOPHS, JUNIORS AND
SENIORS.

First Freshmen
Second Seniors
Third Juniors
Fourth Sophomores
Showing the pluck and fighting spirit which predicts future championship basket ball teams for C. T. H. S., the Freshmen in turn defeated the Sophomores, Seniors and Juniors, thus proving conclusively their title to school championship. The youthful team worked together like clockwork, and is deserving of highest praise.

Thursday Afternoon's Games.

Thursday two games were played—the Fresh-Soph game and the Junior-Senior game. During the first half of the Freshman-Sophomore game, the odds seemed to be very much with the Freshmen. After a session of scrappy playing the half ended 10-4 for the Freshmen. However, during the second half the Sophs came back strongly and after making a slow but sure climb, were defeated by two points, the score being 16-14.

This is rather a bitter pill for the Sophs, considering the fact that the night before they had defeated the Freshmen 22-15 in a challenge game. Harmon starred for the Sophs, making four field goals. Reinhardt, of the Freshmen, scored three goals, and Anderson two. McMillan relieved Besant at forward, who, in turn, relieved Prudent at guard for about half of the second half.

Seniors 21, Juniors 18.

As in the Fresh-Soph game, the first half of the Senior-Junior game was very one-sided, the score being 15-4 in favor of the Juniors. The Seniors seemed unable to play during the first half. And again, as in the Fresh-Soph game, the under dog made a determined rally during the second half. Davis especially played a good game, seeming to be everywhere at once. The second half was very hard fought, but the Seniors could not be held down. Slowly but surely they forged ahead, tied, and then beat the Junior tally. The half ended 21-18 in favor of the class of '16. S. Loomis made three and Van Patten four field goals for the Juniors. Heyduck and Sherman each made three field baskets for the Seniors.

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most easily obtained product of the
high school course.

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vital question. A little honest effort,
a little real study, a determined shutting
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vital business of the present, a meth-
odically persistent working out of
the task to be accomplished,—and not
only has the required work been per-
formed, but a lasting lesson in that
most necessary and valuable asset for
success,—concentration,—has been
learned.

Three words that will cheer the sad-
dest days,—

"I love you"? Wrong, by heck!

It is another, sweeter phrase,—

"Enclosed find check."

ROSETTAS

The statistics of failures for the first
report period were made public last
week. The number of students who
failed in the Delphic Society was
forty; the number who failed in the
Iris Society was thirty-eight. The
smallest number of failures was in the
Senior class, fifteen per cent failing;
the Sophomores had the next smallest
number, twenty-six per cent. The
Juniors had thirty per cent of failures,
and the Freshmen thirty-five per cent.
The per cent of failures among the second
semester Freshmen was thirty.

A number of high school students
attended the state tournament Friday
and Saturday. Harlan Boyle, Clyde
Declin, Leon Sheiman and Robert
Webster were among the number.

The Seniors held an important meet-
ing Thursday. Several committees
were appointed in view of graduation,
a play committee, a committee to see
about caps and gowns, and one to look
after commencement invitations.

The Juniors held a short meeting
Thursday evening after school to at-
tend to the business of the Junior
"Sphinx."

The Seniors taking German I met
in Room 4 Friday noon.

The Cenhica Camp were very
"shockingly" entertained at the home
of Madge Tucker Thursday evening.
The evening was devoted to sewing
and electrical stunts.

The Girls' Inter-class Tournament
will be held Wednesday, Thursday and
Friday of this week.

FRESH CHAMPS IN CLASS TOURNAMENT

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iors, while Davis made four field goals.
Friday's Games.

Friday the Juniors and Sophomores,
the defeated teams of the day before,
clashed with the result that the Sophs
were again trounced. The score was
13-4 for the Juniors at the end of the
first half, and 26-13 in their favor for
the second. The second half was very
tight, the Juniors making only eight
points to the Sophs' eight. However,
the efforts of the Sophs were fruitless,
and they were defeated by a doubled
score.

Freshmen 10, Seniors 7.

The other game between the win-
ners of the previous day's games, the
Freshmen and Seniors, was the hardest
fought of any game played so far.
Although the Seniors' team was much
older and heavier than that of the
Freshmen, they didn't seem to be able
to put anything over on the infants.
At the end of the first half the score
stood 6-3 for the Seniors, but coming
back during the second half the
Freshmen climbed ahead and defeated
the enemy by the score of 10-7.

Monday's Games.

Monday, in an interesting game, the
Seniors won out over the Sophs by a
28-21 score. The score at the end of
the first half was 17-10 in favor of
the older team. Several pretty plays
were made and some good baskets taken
during the game.

The second game played Monday was
between the Freshmen and Juniors,
which ended in the Freshmen cham-

pionship, 12-10. The first half found
the Juniors leading, 6-5. In a pretty
rally the Freshmen came back split-
tedly, winning by one field basket.

Unable to Say.

Ophelia (in School management):
Suppose a girl marries a man who is
not very rich, and the dies, how is
she to make a living if she's never had
any training?

Mr. Tribes: Well, I don't know.
I've never been placed under those
circumstances.

Teacher: What other great book
besides "Pilgrim's Progress" was writ-
ten in prison?

Forrest (eagerly): The Star
Spangled Banner.

Mr. Trout (in English History):
What's "leg bail"?

Petie F.: It means to beat it.

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ALUMNI NOTES

George Walraven, '12, of Decatur, spent the week-end in Centralia.

Pauline Bundy, '13, who has been in the St. Mary's hospital for the past two weeks, is now able to receive visitors.

Myrtle Fowler, '11, has returned from a ten days' visit in Peoria and Decatur.

Burnham Walraven, '11, of Champaign, spent Sunday with homefolks. Pauline Dardis, '14, leaves Monday for Carbondale to take up the spring and summer terms' work at the Normal school.

Mable Fowler, '11, has been ill for the past two weeks at the home of her sister, Mrs. Harry Vassel, on North Beech street.

David McKown, '14, has been appointed assistant principal at Pecoset, Okla., for next year.

A Joke Editor is a Drudge.

I wish to prove that a joke editor is a drudge by these three points: First, that she must be funny, whether she wants to be or not; second, she must be smart enough to write jokes and fool enough to have them printed; third, that she must have tact enough to show those people about whom she is writing jokes, that it is an honor to them that their names are in the paper.

I will now prove the first point, that she must be funny whether she wants to be or not. Most people think a joke editor is very funny; consequently they stand around her and listen continually for funny things. If she happens to say anything serious they immediately think she is sick. Now, a joke editor is really a human being. On Thursday evening, although she often has a raging headache or a dozen lessons to study, she must grind out at least fifteen jokes for the edification of those not fortunate (or I should say, fortunate enough) to be chosen editor for the "Squiblets."

Of course, a joke editor is funny—she wouldn't have been chosen for that office if she were serious. But anybody who has to write sixty jokes a month, even if she doesn't always feel exactly humorous, has as much work to do as an average brick-layer. Therefore, because a joke editor must be funny whether she wants to be or not, she is a drudge.

My second point is that she must be smart enough to write jokes and fool enough to have them printed: Now, no matter how much a person may deny it, and I cast no reflections on myself when I say it, a joke editor must have a few brains or she wouldn't be able to write jokes in such a way that the reader can swear on a stack of Bibles that he has never read them before. And after she has written them she must humbly present them to the chief editor, very fearfully, and ask to have them printed. In doing this, she is very apt to bring a storm of reproaches upon her head. Some will be angry because their names are in the paper, and others will be just as insulted because they are not mentioned. Accordingly, because she must be smart enough to write jokes and fool enough to have them printed, a joke

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Mr. Trout: What is a "white elephant"?

Lawrence B.: It's extinct.

Mr. T. (in History, speaking of Charles II.): They decided not to be so severe, so all they did to him was—kill him.

Teacher—What is the difference between dew and frost?

Bright Student—Well, dew forms on grass,—and frost forms on the roof.

Freshie—What would be the matter with my finger if I couldn't move it?
Miss Riebel—Laziness.

"MIDGETS" DEFEAT

SANDOVAL, 12-5

Again the Centralia "Midgets" have proved their claim to the championship title by defeating the Sandoval girls by a large margin, 12-5. The game was scheduled and advertised with Odin, but at the last minute the Odla girls failed to appear and Sandoval was asked to come down. Out of the three games which Centralia has played with Sandoval, Centralia has come out victorious in two, while the Sandoval girls have won one.

From the start it was evident that Centralia was superior in every way, although Sandoval played a hard game. The ball was down by the Centralia goal, however, more than half the time, Sandoval gaining most of her points on fouls. The first half showed Centralia leading by a small margin.

In the second half the score began to climb upward and at the end of the game Centralia led, 12-5. The following is the line-up for the "Midgets": Augusta and Temple Fike, forwards; Edith Robertson, Florence Saxer and Katherine Miller, guards; Grace Whitlock and Edith Robertson, centers.

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editor is still a drudge.

I will now prove my third point, that she must have tact enough to show those people about whom she is writing that it is an honor to them that their names are in the paper. I mentioned above those people who grow angry because they are the subjects of her jokes. Now, it is her task to explain to those people that only when a person is great, or dead, or married is his name put in a paper. She must have forethought enough not to mention that criminals and insane people also have their names on the front page. She must show them that they are talked about and looked at by other pupils. If they are not talked about, why would their names be in the paper? Accordingly, because she must have tact enough to show those people about whom she is writing that it is an honor to have their names in the paper, she is a drudge, a laborer for the people, a person to be pitied.

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LYRIC THEATRE

Thursday, Mar. 18—"Underneath the Paint," in three parts, presenting Helen Gardner. Also episode No. 14 of the "Master Key." A good Kalem comedy with Mariam Sars.

Friday, Mar. 19—"Oh, Where is My Wandering Boy Tonight," a two-reel Edison drama with Marc MacDermott and Mariam Nesbitt.

Saturday, Mar. 20—"Her Weakening Brother," in two parts, with Flora Lea.

Next Tuesday, Mar. 23—Alice Joyce and Guy Combs in "A School for Scandal," in four parts.

GEM THEATRE

Thursday, Dorothy Gish in "Minerva's Mission," 2-reel Majestic comedy-drama.

Friday, "Twenty Million Dollar Mystery," episode No. 13.

Saturday—Florence La Badie in "The Final Reckoning," two-reel Thanhouser drama.

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TWO INTELLECTUAL SQUADS PICKED

TEAMS WHICH WILL CONTEST AT
HOME AND AT MT. VERNON
SELECTED.

Final particulars and necessary details have been arranged for the dual meet between Centralia and Mt. Vernon which will be held Friday, April 16. Silas Echols of the Mt. Vernon Township High School faculty was C. T. H. S. visitor Friday, consulting with Principal Tubbs concerning certain plans for the meet. Neutral judges in the musical and other intellectual events will be selected from Salem, Vandalia, Greenville, Benton, Fairfield and McLeansboro. As was announced before, each school will have two teams, one of which will remain at home to meet the rival team, while the other one will go to the opposing city and meet the team there.

The team which will probably remain at home to contest with the squad coming from Mt. Vernon will be composed of the following: May Wallis, extempore; Leon Sherman, boy's declamation; Ruby Smith, piano solo; Jennie Grace Terpinitz, girl's solo; James Armstrong, boy's solo; Katherine Miller, girl's recitation; boys' quartet, James Armstrong, Chester White, Hallie Redus and Merritt McDowell.

The team which will uphold the honors of C. T. H. S. at Mt. Vernon will include: Antonia Fischbacha, extempore; William Bellamy, boy's declamation; Freda Dardis, piano solo; Mazie Sullivan, girl's solo; Harry Davis, boy's solo; Madge Tucker, girl's recitation; girls' quartet, Bess Johnson, Mazie Sullivan, Beulah Davis and Antonia Fischbacha.

The people who will compose the two Mt. Vernon teams are to be selected in a contest at Mt. Vernon next Friday.

Why, of Course Not.

Mr. Patrick—Wasn't there a rain-bow after the flood in Noah's time?
Clifford—I don't remember.

Maude (in Com. Geography)—Lumber is found everywhere.

Barbara—You can't find any at the North Pole.

Maude—Why, the idea! What is the pole made of?

CHALLENGE TEAM LOSES TWO GAMES

JUNIOR "SELECTS" LOSE TWO
GAMES TO "PICKUPS" AND
"TAKEMS."

Last week several Junior boys who were barred from participating in the class tournament on account of belonging to the first and second teams, moved to enthusiasm by the efforts of their fellow classmen who were beaten by the Freshmen and Seniors, issued a challenge to any team that could be picked from the students of C. T. H. S., regardless of whether they had belonged to either the first or second teams.

This challenging team was composed of Tom Reid, R. Webster and E. Waggoner of the first team, and C. Doolin and C. Kern of the second. Their challenge was accepted by a team calling themselves the "Pickups." This team was composed of P. Loomis and L. Sherman of the first team, and H. Boyle and C. Maddox of the second, and D. Doolin of the scrubs. This game was played off Wednesday afternoon after dismissal, with the result that the challengers were defeated by an almost double score, 29-15.

The defeated challengers were no sooner done with this game than they had another quintet on their hands, willing and eager to accept their challenge of the day before. This team which was composed of H. Stout, B. Van Patten, S. Loomis, D. Doolin and A. Perrine, under the title of the "Takems," clashed with Challengers the next afternoon, with the result that they were victorious over the Challengers by the somewhat tighter score than the preceding game, 27-19.

It now seems that "Old King Basket Ball" has vanished for good until next October. The students are now turning their attention to track work. So far it has been too cold to do much work in this line, but it is hoped that the weather will soon break and then track work will start with a vim.

Riddle.

Nina—And when they found his body he was all smashed!

Grace—Oh, gee, I wonder how smashed people get to heaven?

Senior (speaking to Freshie) — We will have theme concession this morning.

JUNIOR GIRLS CHAMPS IN CLASS TOURNEY

JUNIORS DEFEAT SOPHOMORES
AND SENIORS IN
TWO GAMES.

By means of true goal shooting and strong defensive work, the Junior girls are recognized as the acknowledged champions of the school. While the other teams all fought pluckily, the Juniors showed their superiority in every game which they played.

Juniors 17, Sophs 3.

In the first game of the tournament Wednesday the Juniors came out victorious over their Sophomore rivals by a 17-3 score. The game was featured by excellent goal shooting and guarding on the part of the Juniors, and plucky fighting spirit on the part of the Sophomores. The girls who composed the Junior team were: Temple Fike and Sylva Watts, forwards; Hallie Root, center; Edith Robertson and Catherine Miller, guards. The Sophomore squad was made up of: Grace Whitlock and Esther Rogers, forwards; Fae Pittenger Brown, cen.; Helen Jones and Myrtle Miller, guards.

Seniors 5, Freshmen 0.

Thursday's game showed the Seniors leading the Freshmen by a 5-0 score. Here again the determination of the underclassmen to win showed in the brave fight they offered and succeeded in keeping the score of their older rivals down materially. The Senior team was composed of: Augusta Fike, Madge Tucker and Florence Saxer, forwards; Mary Parkinson, center; Beulah Bailie, Florence Saxer and Madge Tucker, guards. On the Freshmen team were: Hyacinth McNeil and Helen O'Laughlin, forwards; Helen Parkinson, center; Reba Eberts and Effie Fouts, guards.

Juniors 10, Seniors 0.

The results of the first two games necessitated the championship match between the Juniors and Seniors. This game resulted in the championship and overwhelming victory for the Juniors. Although the Senior team is an older one, its players were not as heavy as their younger opponents. The game, however, was a contest in defensive play, most of the points being made from fouls called.

Sophs 4, Freshmen 2.

The other game Friday afternoon resulted in a Sophomore victory of two points over their Freshmen antagonists, 4-2.

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Invention or Discovery?

Teacher—We will now talk about sugar.

Maxine (timidly)—Please, sir, when was sugar invented?

How to Kill Your School Paper.

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5. Trade with someone who doesn't advertise in our paper. Be hostile.
6. Don't hustle or try to make the paper a success. Be a drone. —EX.

ROSETTAS

Thelma Gilpin visited school Monday.

Mr. W. S. Perrine talked to the Economics class on fruit growing Thursday.

The Mt. Vernon contestants who are to meet the Centralia representatives in the coming contest will be chosen Friday.

There will be a ceremonial meeting of the Genhica Camp at the home of Clara Peifer.

Troy Harmon visited high school Friday, and also saw the basket ball games.

Anna Frank burned her arm seriously in Domestic Science. One of the ovens exploded and caused this accident.

Carl Keller is back in school after a week's absence on account of illness. Jean Fyke is to be business manager of the May Pole Festival.

The new skeleton which was ordered for the use of the Physiology classes arrived Monday.

Varian Adams, '18, broke a bone in his forearm Thursday at school.

BUYING THE BONNET.

"How'd'ye dew, Mis' Jenks?" Little Miss Peabody, in her best dress—her black silk—rusted importantly into the store, her grey curls bobbing on each side of her eager, expectant face, and her little hands in their black silk mitts, folded firmly in front of her. "I've come to buy my new spring bonnet," she announced proudly.

"Well, well, well! Dew set right down, Mis' Peabody, an' we'll have you fixed out in jes' no time. Here, take this cheer, that one's sorter wobbly. Now, jes' let me see a minute, Mis' Peabody. What color'd you think ye'd like? A pretty black bonnet 'ith these here daisies is jest what you want, I know," she added, after thinking a moment.

She ambled over to the counter, picked up the before-mentioned hat, returned and placed it upon Miss Peabody's head.

"There, there! I dew declare! Why, Sadie Peabody, thet's the becomest thing I've seen fer a mighty long spell!"

"Is it?" quavered Miss Sadie, staring eagerly at her reflection in the mirror. "But, Mrs. Jenks, I didn't think I wanted black. It's very pretty, I know, but my last new bonnet wuz black an' I thought as I'd like suthin' diffrent. But it's very pretty, Mrs. Jenks," she added hastily.

"Well," sighed Mrs. Jenks, "I'd know 'sye'll ever find another black bonnet so becomin' to ye, nor so stylish, nor so cheap, fer the money—five dollars! No, Mis' Peabody," sadly, "you'll never get sich a chanet agin." Miss Sadie looked at the stiff little black thing, with its stiff little bunch of daisies, hesitatingly.

"I thought I'd like suthin' a little might lighter, Mrs. Jenks—" she began.

"Lighter! At your age! Why, Mis' Peabody, an' yer Ma allus awearin' black bunnets an' appearin' modest!"

"Yes," Miss Peabody looked nervously at the black bonnet. "yes, but I know she wudn't hey cared a bit if I

wore suthin' else. I'm not so old as she wuz," defiantly.

"Well, well, some people dew be thet stubborn an' persistent thet they don't know what's good fer 'em. Now, thet black bonnet—" Then she looked at Miss Peabody's delicate face, which was beginning to flush angrily. "Well, mebbe I've got suthin' else," she added slowly.

Little Miss Peabody's eyes roved over the counter.

"Oh!"

"Well?"

"Thet lavender bunnet!" ecstatically, "an' thet the v'lets, an' thet soft lace, an'—an'—" she stopped, eying it wistfully.

"Thet? Humph! Tew young fer ye. Now, I've got a grey—"

"I'll take the lavender one, please, Mrs. Jenks," positively.

"You—whut?"

"I'll take the lavender bunnet an' the v'lets an' the soft lace on it," nodding her head, with her mouth in a firm little line.

"All right, Mis' Peabody, but I don't know whut yer Ma'd say ef she knew. All I know is, I've done my Christian dooty."

And the next Sunday at church little Miss Sadie Peabody wore a new lavender bonnet. —XYZ

CAUSE AND EFFECT.

This was what happened. I was boaring thatt winter in a house which was the exact duplicate, on the outside, at least, of every other house in that block. And on this particular day I was, as usual, to put it mildly, in a hurry. Two themes to write, about a book of Latin, it seemed to me, to translate letters to write home and history to study,—and all before six o'clock! Yes, and it was after five now.

In at the front door and down the hall I dashed with a noise that should have made Mrs. Morton poke her head out of the dining-room door in alarm—but which didn't. Upstairs I flew, scattering hairpins generously on the way. I had just reached my own door and had started to grab the knob when a man's deep voice from within burst forth ominously into some familiar song. I'll never forget that tune—no, never! I stared transfixed for the space of exactly one-thousandth of a second, then downstairs and out of the door I flew at a speed which must have made my former pace feel the way a circus balloon looks after it's been punctured.

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ALUMNI NOTES

Mrs. Hallie T. Andrews (Bessie Robnett, '02), visited in Kinmundy Saturday.

Harold Fannon and wife of Dix were in Centralia between trains last Friday.

Attorneys C. F. Dew, '83, and L. H. Jonas, '01, were in Salem Friday.

Margaret Prather visited in Salem Saturday.

Mrs. Edna Adams Hixman, '93, and her husband, of Marquette, Mich., are making a brief visit with Miss Idale Allmon, '94, and many other friends. Miss Octavia Alpiser, '94, of Baltimore, and her brother, Paul Alpiser, '94, of Florida, with their brothers and sisters, a few years ago well known here, brought the remains of their father to Centralia for burial last Monday.

Mrs. Ethel Wiles Burge, '01, visited in Tamaroa last week.

Reinhardt Egger, '12, has been elected business manager of a new student magazine which is to be published at the University of Missouri, where he is attending the Department of Journalism. This magazine will be the largest one published by the students of the university. This is a great honor to any student and the fact that Reinhardt was a Freshman and this position was an elective one, shows how far he has advanced in the estimation of his fellow students.

Chester Parkinson, '08, spent the week-end at home.

Ruth Rickards, '14, Pauline Dardis, '14, Evelyn Westbrook, '12, Ethel Buckner, '14, spent Friday in St. Louis. Burnham and George Walraven, '14, were home again Saturday and Sunday.

Those Teachers Ask Such Foolish Questions.

Mr. Patrick—Where are those kind of fish generally found?

Harry—In the water, sir!

And His Name is Pete Kohl.

First Green Student—I wonder why they call Gerald "Pete"?

Second Green Student—Why, don't you know that peat is a form of coal?

He Knew.

Miss R. (in Physiology)—Voluntary muscles are controlled by the will;—now, what is the will, Byron?

Byron—A legal document.

Teachers' Language.

Forrest was slow in leaving Room II.

"For the love of Mike," yelled Ray, "spill yourself out of that room and let us teachers in!"

Acrobatic Feat.

Miss Riebel (in criticizing Iris Lit. Society program)—I noticed that most of you did not address the chair when you got up. If you don't want to say "Mr. President," simply nod your head, and he will nod his back!

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SQUIBBLETS

Weakly Advice.

I will proceed to explain how to run a school newspaper. As nearly anyone in this school knows more about running the paper than the present staff, this advice may not seem seasonable, but I will say something, anyway. In the first place, always be complimentary about the retiring staff, at least until that august body has left town. Then proceed to make a larger paper than last year's. Write soul-stirring accounts about a lost shoe lace and place them on the front page. Make long speeches on the importance of public service, patronage of advertisers, hard work and seventy-five cents. Call meetings of all the classes and inform them of your utter helplessness unless you receive their support. Cut classes and receive large ostrich eggs by working on the paper. Write a whole paper and dedicate it to a certain class. Write a lovely column about the help you received in the aforesaid paper from the aforementioned class and print many pictures of their heroic attempts. Put everybody's name in the paper. Always depreciate your own work, and if it is especially good, lay it onto someone else. Sit up every night until two o'clock the next morning trying to write editorials. Write tearful letters to the alumni asking for subscriptions. Always praise the present methods of education and pity our ancestors. Always get the running expenses of the paper by advertisements. If, in the end, you have \$600 in the bank, give \$599.80 to the class of next year and divide the rest equally between the music and art editor and the circulation manager. And never again accept such an easy situation.

Miss Mitchell (to green Fresh) — What is a conjunction?

Green Fresh—Why, a conjunction is a word connecting anything, like: "The horse is hitched to the fence by his halter." Halter is a conjunction because it connects the horse to the fence!

Miss Fuller (in Landscape Gardening)—Now, this tree has acute top.

Miss Mitchell—Define "conference." Bright Student—It is the meeting of a group of people held for consolation.

Of Course.

Teacher—What is conscience?

Silence!

Teacher—Oh, you know. What is it that tells us when we do wrong?

Freshie—I know. It's Grandma.

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Thursday, Mar. 25—Final episode of "The Master Key," and a two-part Vitagraph drama with Leah Baird. Also a Kalem comedy.

Friday, Mar. 26—Marc McDermott and Miriam Nesbitt in "The Glory of Clementia," also a two-reel comedy, "A Night Out," with Charles Chaplin.

Next Saturday—Ethel Clayton in "The Attorney for the Defense," in three reels.

Next Tuesday's program will be a three-reel Broadway Star feature entitled "The Painted World," with Anita Stewart.

**GEM THEATRE**

Monday, March 29—Special two-reel Keystone, "That Little Band of Gold," with Mabel Normand and "Fatty" Roscoe Arbuckle, Ford Sterling.



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C. T. H. S. TO BE HOST IN BIG MAY MEET

INTERSCHOLASTIC TRACK AND INTELLECTUAL CONTESTS DURING MAY FESTIVAL.

Besides the second annual May Festival which will be held by the high school girls Friday afternoon, April 30, and the open air play, which will be given either Friday or Saturday afternoon, extensive plans are being formed for a track and intellectual meet to be held here April 30 and May 1. It will be an invitational meet, every school in Southern and Central Illinois being invited to attend.

The Intellectual Contest will be held Friday night, April 30, and will be one of the biggest events. Many schools will probably enter contestants and gold, silver and bronze medals will be awarded the winners.

Saturday afternoon the big track meet will occur. The Commercial Club is backing this meet and there is every assurance of success and a great amount of interest, as well as a large number of entries. Gold, silver and bronze medals and cups for the highest individual point winners will be awarded. Between thirty and forty schools are expected to enter complete teams or merely send individual contestants. This big invitational meet is a new thing for C. T. H. S., and everything will be done to insure its success.

The success which C. T. H. S. has had financially and in other ways in basket ball tournaments should give promise of the loyal support of the citizens in this new attempt.

STUDENTS HEAR MT. VERNON CONTEST

Several C. T. H. S. students and faculty motored to Mt. Vernon Friday night where they attended the Inter-Society contest between the Laurean and Excelsior Literary Societies of that city. Friday's contest included the extempore, girls' recitation and boys' declamation. Debate was given Friday afternoon, while the contest in musical events will be held April 13. A pleasing part of the program was the rendition of several musical numbers by the high school orchestra.

Well!!!

Miss Mitchell—Tom, you're not fit to sit down with decent folks. Come up here and sit by me.

C. T. H. S. HOLDS THE CITY CHAMPIONSHIP

BOTH LIGHT AND HEAVYWEIGHTS WIN FROM OTHER CHAMPS.

Last Friday night C. T. H. S. won both the light and heavyweight championships of Centralia, when the Freshmen, winners of the class tournament, defeated the Central School quintet, grade school champions, by the score of 21-3; and the regular C. T. H. S. five defeated last year's team, champions of Southern Illinois, by a narrow margin, 29-21.

Lightweight Game.

When the Freshman team clashed with the grade school champs, it was evident from the first that the Centrals were outclassed. Reinhardt of the Freshman placed the first goal. After a few moments of play, "Pig" Sanders found the basket for the first Central goal, the only goal which they placed that half. The Freshmen continued to climb until when the half was called, the score stood 8-2. D. Perrine and R. Anderson played fine games at guard holding down their men and scoring themselves. During second half Reinhardt made in quick succession two free goals and a field basket. Love was the only Central player to score during the second half. When the half was called the score stood 21-3.

Heavyweight Game.

In the next game the regular C. T. H. S. five defeated last year's champs by a 29-27 score. Webster started the scoring for C. T. H. S. with a field goal, soon followed by two free throws by Loomis. Reid added a basket, making the score 6-0. C. Holcomb broke the egg for the "All-Stars" with a field goal. At this point the Stars quickly rained until the score stood 10-7 in their favor. A moment later it was 10-10 and then 12-12. With such short gains, making it anybody's game until the last second, the half ended 18-14 for C. T. H. S.

O Holcomb opened the second half and Reichenbach soon followed with a field goal. The Stars then gained the lead and held it until another one ensued, 26-26. Loomis and Brown each made a free goal, 27-27. Loomis then placed the last goal, making the score 29-27, where it remained until the half ended.

IRIS SOCIETY GIVES SPRING PROGRAM

SHORT PROGRAM BY DIVISION NUMBER THREE ON "SPRING."

The third section of the Iris Literary Society gave its regular bi-monthly program Friday morning. This section is the one which should have given its program last week, but had to postpone it on account of its similarity to a recent program of the Delphic Society. This program was the first one at which the new president, Charles Kinnane, the former vice-president, presided, owing to the resignation of the president, James Armstrong.

The program was short and had for its main theme, "Spring." Each number of the program centered about this primal topic. The spirit of spring as portrayed in poetry, the poetry of the Hoosier poet, James Whitcomb Riley, was reviewed. Birds and their share in spring, as well as certain game laws contributing to their protection, were discussed. Another speaker told of the value of a "Spring Clean-up," not only to the whole city proper, but to certain alleys as well, and pointed out the time to begin as evidenced by the wielding of carpet beaters in various back yards. Another extempore was given on "Signs of Spring." The one musical number, a vocal solo, was enjoyed by everyone. Mr. Tubbs acted as critic.

The program as given was as follows: "Hoosier Poetry of James W. Riley," Dorothy Bostwick; vocal solo, Merritt McDowell; "The Value of a Spring Clean-up," Harold Skillman; "Birds," Lillian Reagan; "Signs of Spring," Ruth Tyler.

Mary—What are you going to give Daphna for her birthday this year?
Sylvia—I don't know. I gave her the measles last year.

Lineup:	
C. T. H. S.	ALL-STAR
Reid	.....lf..... Tillman
Loomis	.....rf..... O. Holcomb
Root	.....c..... C. Holcomb
Webster	.....lg..... Brown
Sherman	.....rg..... Reichenbach
Field Goals—Loomis 4, Reichenbach 4, Webster 3, Tillman 3, Reid 3, O. Holcomb 2, C. Holcomb 2, Brown 2.	
Free goals—Loomis 9, Brown 1.	
Fouls 20; referee, Stables.	

Stories

LITERARY.

A Trip to Easter Egg Land.

(A Story for Freshmen).

Bobby suddenly opened his eyes very wide. Yes, standing on the edge of the bed was a little dried up, thin, bowlegged man, with three eyes and no nose. He only had one ear on the top of his bald head, which seemed to wiggle like a rabbit's nose when it smells something to eat.

Curiously enough, Bobby was not afraid. "Who are you?" he asked.

"I'm a ZCPQ," was the answer.

"What is that?" asked Bobby, for no human tongue could pronounce what the little old man said. "A ZCPQ is a sort of fairy. Whenever a Freshman goes to bed without his mother's rocking him to sleep, I think he is a brave boy. And so since tomorrow is Easter, and you said today you have been such a brave boy, I've decided to reward you and take you to Easter-Egg Land. Do you want to come?"

"Sure," said Bobby, for he was a brave child, even tho' he was only a Freshman.

"All right," said the fairy, "Shut your eyes, and count by tens to a million."

Bobby obeyed, and when he was at 999,990, he seemed to shoot up through the roof and up, up, up, till he went way past the stars.

"Where are we going?" asked Bobby suddenly, for he was beginning to be afraid. But the little man did not answer. Instead, he hastened to a planet that soon took shape as Bobby approached. He beat Bobby to the planet and calculating nicely where Bobby would fall, he suddenly swelled up like a balloon and made a big cushion for Bobby to land on.

"Don't talk loud or the Ear Giant will hear you," the old man admonished; but just then the Ear Giant himself appeared from behind a big rock and advanced upon poor little Bobby and the little old man. The Ear Giant was so called because he had two rows of ears, fine ears in a row on each side of his head.

"What are you doing here?" roared the giant. "Don't you know that I'm guardian of this land and don't allow anyone to take away the Easter-eggs? The Rabbits lie on my toes in the winter and keep them warm, and so I must repay them. I kill everyone who comes to this land."

At that Bobby trembled and commenced to cry, for you must remember he was only a Freshman and was still a little boy. But the little old man looked steadily at the giant as he advanced, swinging his large club of bologna sausage. Just as he was about to mash them into a "gob-o'-grease" with his club, the little man made a few hypnotic gestures and, still looking the giant in the eyes, said, "X-I-M-N-B-C-D."

The giant stopped, dropped his club, his hair bristled, his ears drooped. Then, suddenly overcome by a strange, wild fear, he ducked his tail between

his legs and ran howling across the bare rocky ground. The stronger mind of the little old man had conquered. The sawdust and bran in the giant's head had not the power and strength of the needles and pins in the head of ZXPQ.

"He'll think he is a dog for a week," said the little man. "Come on and I'll show you the Easter-egg plants. You see the plants grow on the other side of that big wall. The Rabbits take care of the plants. We'll just go in at this gate."

He pulled a gun out of his hip pocket and after shooting a hole in the gate, crept through and unfastened the latch. Bobby came through, but was much surprised to find no plants.

"Where are the eggs?" he asked.

The little man looked around. Then a foolish look came over his face. "It's all my fault," he exclaimed. "I came too late. You see—" he pulled out a watch as big as a tub—"It's after 12 o'clock. At 12 o'clock everything on this planet disappears until sunrise. But I must take you back in time for school, so I guess you won't be able to stay until six o'clock."

"I wish I could have seen them," murmured Bobby, "but Mr. Tubbs would make me stay in the Pest House if I'm late for school. I guess I'd better go back now."

So Bobby didn't see the egg plants after all his long trip to Easter-Egg-Plant-Land.

CHARLES KINNANE, '16.

The Junior Colors.

"Well, that job is done," grunted Billie Smith, as he greased the flag-pole over the boat house. "They'll never get our colors down now."

And the three boys stopped to look with satisfaction at the white '16 on a purple background that hung forty feet above the surface of the water.

"Come on," cried Harry Jones, "we don't want to be caught here. Let's clear out." And so they cleared.

The Junior colors waved impudently over the heads of the crowd of Seniors, Sophs and Freshmen, all eager to tear them down. Several boys were on the boat-house roof trying to climb the pole, but the grease handicapped them. Suddenly a yell was heard and the Seniors, forming a circle, rushed the crowd and got possession of the boat-house. One of the members produced a pair of climbers and after fastening them on his feet he climbed easily upward. He tore down the Junior colors and put up the Green and White of his own class.

The three boys stood on the outside of the crowd—Jones muttered to the other two, "Fellows, show up here at 8:00 o'clock in the morning. I've got an idea."

Promptly at 8:00 o'clock the boys appeared with a can of paint, a flag, a pair of climbers, and a saw. Jones climbed up, tore down the Senior flag and put up another of purple and white. Watts and Smith furnished the rest of the work—painted the pole, greased it again, and departed.

The flag-pole was about twenty-five

feet high and was situated on the front peak of the boat-house gable. It leaned just slightly over the water.

The next morning the Junior colors were again seen floating at the head of the pole. The crowd collected and stories were told of how the Senior guards had been overpowered the night before—had been bound—had been carried away, and had only been freed this very morning at 6:00 o'clock.

But the Seniors tried again—one of the members ascended, when within five feet of the flag, the pole bent slightly, cracked sharply—and a Senior took the first swim in "Indian Lake" that spring.

BERTHA DORILLIS, '16.

Teaching Cats to Swim.

Robert Rudolphus Jones Jr. had nothing to do. This was a day on which everything had gone against him. Big sister had gone riding with that red-haired man, and although there was plenty of room, they wouldn't let him go along. What could he do? Mother had forbidden him to play with his rabbits or to go near the little chickens, and his pony was lame. Had mother, or hadn't she said she could go over and play with William? He couldn't remember, but he believed he would go, anyway. William greeted him with a shout and with the information that there were three little kittens in the barnloft. Nothing could be better, because for some time Robert had been longing to know if cats could swim, and here was a chance to find out. He made this wish known to William, and of course it met with instant approval; William had been wondering the same thing. They proceeded to the barnloft and each took a kitten in his arms, after they had tied the third one to a post by means of a slip-knot in a twine string.

A short distance from the barn was a creek which was plenty deep enough for their needs. They were glad it wasn't far, because the kittens were wild and rather unhandy to carry. They decided to let them have the joy of a boat ride first so that they could get more used to the water. But the board they were using as a boat floated across the creek and lodged there with the kittens on it. Robert waded across and brought them back; it didn't matter if he did get his clothes wet and muddy, they would dry and Mother would never know the difference. It was now time for the swimming lesson. The kittens scratched and fought, but they could not know what was good for them, and that it was to their advantage to know how to swim in case of necessity. The kittens went down at once, then came up and struggled and went under the water again. After much hard work and wetness of clothes the boys fished them out.

That evening there were three cat funerals, and the next day there were two little boys who mourned, but they were shut up in their respective rooms.

MARGUERITE SHANKLIN, '16.

P o e t r y

Old C. T. H. S. Speaks.

Here's the last time as Juniors
I drink to your health,
Here's hoping, "God bless you
With love, life and wealth."

Next year to grave Seniors,
Dear Juniors, you'll turn,
And then in the last lap
How much you will learn.

It's the last time as Juniors
I bid you farewell,
And as Seniors I'll greet you,
When you've rested a spell.

So in the next Autumn
Come back here to me,
To your good old C. T. H. S.,
And life gay and free.

Then when you've left me,
And gone far away,
I'll mourn you and want you
To the end of my day.

It's the last time as Juniors
I drink to your health;
Here's hoping, "God bless you
With love, life and wealth."
JENNIE GRACE TERPINITZ, '16.

My Loading Place.

By the little splashing streamlet
Flowing through the woods so green,
There I love to lie and ponder
O'er the things that I have seen.
There's a peacefulness and quiet
'Round the whole surrounding place,
And beneath me in the waters
I can see the fishes trace
Their smooth way among the lilies,
Seeking for a shoaling place.
Then from out the budding branches,
Squirrels peep and bark on high,
Playing hide and seek they scamper,
Summer days are drawing nigh.
Birds are coming from the Southward,
Summer nests we soon shall see,
Loaf where it may please your fancy,
But the streamlet leave for me.

RAY ROOT, '16.

Fashions.

As most everyone knows,
If they're in the throes
Of the old Dame of Fashion today,
You'd as soon you were dead
As wear hobbles instead
Of the skirts that are wide every way.

And besides being wide,
Skirts never must hide
Dainty ankle or gaudy-topped shoe.
If you don't believe me,
Just step out and you'll see
That all I have told you is true.

There's the basque and the vest,
And what many like best,
The collar of marvellous height;
They like it, you know,
'Cause their neck doesn't show,
And the moles there are quite out of sight.

Long, thin sleeves are most seen,
And the very last scream
Of the way for fixing your hair
Is to tuck it up nice

'Neath the rest, in a trice,
Then you'll look like a girle, so there.
LILLIAN ADAMS, '16.

A Basket Ball Game in Futurist Poetry.

The whistle blew,
"Come on there, you big boob, yer sick!"

A blue head flashed and broke in two;
The halves were short.

"That guy don't play no game!"
Somebody broke a sparerib, but

Made his goal all the same.
"Aw, that referee's went and give 'em the game!"

We lost the game, too.
(This line is eliminated by the board of censorship.)

The whistle blew.
FREDERICK WELTON, '16.

The Easter Hat.

Listen, my children, and you shall hear
Of the midnight thought of Miss Revere,

On the eighteenth of April in dead midnight,
She awoke in the dark with an awful fright.

She wondered and wondered what it could be
That made her awake from her 'dream'
Tango tea,
Then in an instant she happened to think
Of that new Easter hat of old Miss Frink.

Listen, my children, and you shall learn

She had wanted this hat for her own concern,

But being's she told her friend Miss Frink,

She didn't! This is what made her think!

GLADYS GOODMAN, '16.



The Crimson Rose.

I am thinking today, through the gloomiest strain,
Of a flower on a brown withered stalk;

With a head that bowed down with the first autumn rain
In the dust on the old garden walk.

Soon the earth was made bright by the fair, bashful sun,

Which reflected its rays through the trees;

After all, then again the proud head had begun,
There to gaze up in crimson-like glee.

Once again it was tossed on the calm wooing breeze,
And in smiles did it stare, day by day;

'Till the next autumn rain beat in spite through the leaves,
Then with fond, sweet farewell, went away.

NELPHA F. BOLES, '16.

Class of '16—(A Dream).

It was only two years and a half ago,
In the jolly month of September,
To the C. T. H. S. which we all know,
Came the Freshman class. Remember?

And the faculty then immediately took
The Freshmen to scenes too new,
And said, "Now, here is a nice rule-book

Mr. Tubbs has written for you."

"Come wander with us," their school-mates said,

"Into learning yet unknown,
And read with us what is yet unread,
E'er the sands of time be flown."

And whenever the road seemed to be hard,

Or their courage began to fail,
The faculty gave to them their cards,
And ne'er sent their folks any mail.

And the schools all around us watch
This wonderful class of Sixteen,
And say, "They have reached the top-notch."

Now, I wonder, what do they mean?
JOHN FINCH, '16.

My Longing.

Not to be a Sophomore bold or not a Senior haughty,

But just to be a "Fresh" again,
And do what things are naughty.

To talk and giggle right out loud,
Chew gum, and send notes flying,

And wear a ribbon on my hair
Like Hyacinth is doing.

My Algebra I'd solve with joy,
And English I so trying

I'd gladly study and recite,
Though I came near a-dying.

But English III with Tennyson
And Kipling and such poems—

Makes me want to jump and yell:
"Teacher! it's home I'm goin'!"

TEMPLE FIKE, '16.

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THE GREAT EVIL OF LOIT.

ERING ON THE LANDINGS.

I know of no subject on which there is more material to write than this one. I know of no person, who is better qualified to write on this subject than I am. I have had experience, been there, and therefore ought to know. I have, on some days hunted the whole building over to find a landing on which there was no very happy young couple,—but have been unable to find one. You, perhaps, wonder what I wanted with a landing, but that's different. But reader, you know not how heart-rending it is to me, the distress, the great sorrow and embarrassment I feel, when I write upon this austere subject.

Many of the violators of what ought to be an "Unwritten Law," are upper classmen and, in fact, all were until a few days ago. Now the Freshmen have the habit and are standing on the landings. There is great danger that these Freshmen may fall out of the windows and hurt themselves. Act together, classmen, and eliminate this great evil and protest those gentle, pretty, soft, tender, delicate, green-hued Freshmen.

Before closing I wish to give a statement which was made by Mr. Henry H. Bailly Ph. B., Chicago University, regarding this evil. He said when asked what he thought of this great evil, "By so doing they obstruct traffic. Of course, it is a good thing but it often carried too far, although I did the same thing just fifteen years ago."

George Winkler '16.

Alumni Notes

Manteno, Ill., R. R. 2.

March 26, 1915.

Dear Readers of the "Sphinx":

You ask me to write you a letter. The letter must be in your office by Monday. This is Friday, and I am a farmer's busy wife. But I am also a graduate of the Centralia Township High School. Therefore, I am writing with pleasure, even though I must burn the midnight oil and coal to do so.

You see, dear friends, we have just moved to our farm, a wide-spreading, lazy-reaching, sprawling prairie farm of a hundred and ninety acres of land, with a little white cottage in the middle thereof. And my days are spent in anything but idleness. For this is the season of planting and renewing; and magazine article writing has been driven to the margin of my consciousness for a month or more.

I am almost shocked to think how far back I can remember the Centralia High School. My first recollections of that institution are of those days when I was still in the grades and high school seemed a long way ahead, and dizzily aloft. Those were the days when Nora Hefter came to school on her bicycle, with her cap pulled low over one eye; when Frank Scott was still just an ordinary mortal and not a power at the University of Illinois at all; when Clem Condit whistled his way through his paper route and into the hearts of his teachers, and was fearless enough, when in spelling class the word "huber" was pronounced, to request that he might be allowed to spell "hie-plant"!

The year after Centralia got an opera house I entered the sacred portals of the school myself, and together with other ambitious Latin students, I sat in the annex of the Central building under the supervision of Miss Cairns. Isidore Jonas occupied a front seat near the teacher's desk, Gex Condit merrily pursued his mis-spelled way, Bess Bohn entered politics, Kitty Myers bubbled over with mischief, and before we knew it we were Sophomores. After wading through algebra and zoology and other terrors, like Sophomores the world over, I suppose, we became wild Juniors. Now those were the days when Miss Erbes began teaching. Those were also the days when Miss Brunton faithfully reminded us when we had whispered one minute. Those were the days of class literary society meetings when some one sang the solo, "Hello, Central, Give Me Heaven," and someone else recited:

"She tied her bonnet-string under her chin,

And tied a young man's heart within."

I wonder whether Carl Cunningham remembers the time that his flute refused to utter a sound, and upon examination proved to be stuffed with paper.

But soon Centralia's high school became a township organization, with headquarters in the Hammer building. I graduated that year. I don't suppose anyone in the high school today re-

members that glorious commencement except Miss Brunton, Miss Cairns and Miss Erbes. Our speaker, Colonel Henry Waterson, failed to appear. But Mollis Lewis and I were on hand with our little specialties. I never will forget how I felt, as, clad in yards and yards of Persian lawn ruffles, I said "good-bye" to my high school. Tonight we separate and select various vocation. But no matter what walk of life we take, may we always carry before us our motto, ever remembering that there is "No victory without labor." Those are the words I said. I shall never forget them. How true they are proving through the years.

Well, now I was a woman of the work-a-day world. High school was indexed among my memories; I went to teaching school in the country. For full particulars see Alma's letter. But the next year I succeeded in convincing the Board of Education that I knew enough to teach in town. So I was given the third grade at the "East Side." There were fifty-seven of us all year—part of the time sixty-four. My, but those were busy days! I'll bet Mary Shugart remembers some experiences that year, as well as Florence Sever, Alden Perrine, Byron Joot, Percy Locais, Mildred Schaeffer, and stacks of others. Where are all those youngsters now, anyway? They are grown beyond my recognition, of course, but not beyond my memory.

I suppose that I might call the events related thus far Ancient History. Perhaps medieval times begin here. At any rate, my transition to the fifth grade at Central seems to mark a step of some moment. I wonder how many of you can remember those days. I wonder whether De Witt Pulciphier, in putting on his "Prep" suit down at U. of I., ever thinks of that day so long ago when he begged permission to go home just after recess. Clutching his sailor trousers frantically, he cried, "I tore a GREAT BIG hole in them!" I wonder whether Ralph Birge remembers the white parasol he gave me with such pride at the close of school (I have it yet), or whether Wallace Braiding remembers how he insisted on sitting in a front seat so as to be more near perfection and the object of his love. I wonder whether Carl Keller remembers the time he asked to be excused from writing in his copy book because he had rheumatism in his ankle; or whether Ernest Maxfield and Orville Holcomb remember how they refused to pay any attention to Gene Stoker when he tried to lead them from the path of righteousness one day when he had been sent to my room to "make up time," while his companions enjoyed an early dismissal. After his vain attempts at seducing my cherubim, he went home with the report: "Miss Pope's got 'em all bluffed!" And I wonder whether Edith Robertson remembers the time when I asked her what we call the ruler of Persia. Frowning thoughtfully, Edith slowly

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Alumni Continued

rose from her seat and replied with dignity:

"THE GOSH, or something like that," But what am I doing? I am writing volumes, I fear. And maybe, after all, you don't remember those days. It would take too long to write of all the things I recall about my boys and girls. There are the eighth grade incidents unmentioned—days when life was made interesting by Jean Fyke, Madge Tucker, Ruth Rickards, Gerald Taylor, Frederick Welton, Roy Whitchurch and many, many others. But I simply must, and my letter, because midnight is far past and I must drive to Kankakee tomorrow."

Yes, I'm a farmer's wife now. I was married last October to a graduate of the Ag college of U. of I. And I find a wealth of pleasure and a full life out here in the open country, with just enough town life to keep me in touch with people and the progress of events. But let me tell you that I am still at heart a teacher, loving all boys and girls, but holding especially dear my former pupils and all young people bound to me by the common bond of the Centralia Township High School.

GRACE POPE SNYDER.

Carbondale, Ill., Mar. 28, 1915.

"The Sphinx":

It is a pleasure to have an opportunity to write a few lines to the good old "Sphinx," whose weekly visits bring interesting news to me and recall memories of former good times at the C. T. H. S.

After all, high school days are delightful days, even though it is often difficult to realize it while one is experiencing them. While in high school it is easy to let the little vicissitudes magnify themselves from mole-hills into mountains; but after we leave the school we get a truer perspective and the good times and pleasant associations stand out strong in our memory.

My work here is pleasant and the jobs of "Anthony Hall" and its large family of girls are worth while.

Success to the "Sphinx" and C. T. H. S.

THELMA GILPIN.

Chronicles of the Juniors

First Book of Chronicles.

And it came to pass in the year 1912, in the first year of the reign of Prince Tubbs, a certain tribe was come unto these halls.

And he looked down upon them, and said, "It is well, let them come and dwell here, and let them be taught the manners of the land."

And unto this day they do after their former manners.

Howbeit, this tribe made gods of their own, and put them in the houses of the high places.

And the virgin Temple, the daughter of Fike, was made queen over them all, and she ruled with an exceeding good rule.

Now it came to pass during their sojourn in that land, that certain of the tribe were buried in the waters of a lake, by the fierce, cruel tribe of Sophs, their neighbors.

They were sorely vexed, and smote

their hands in wrath, and called upon Tubbs, the Prince over all the tribes, to avenge them on the cruel tribe of Sophs.

And thus spake the Prince unto the tribe of Sophs, "Ye shall not smite them, neither shall ye compass them about with pestilences, lest ye be visited with the plague of expulsion."

And henceforth all was well between the two tribes. Now a certain Jay, the son of Reichenbach, one of the tribe of Juniors, hanged the colors of his tribe in the tops of an elm tree.

And the tribe of Freshmen assembled, and was wroth, and said unto Tutor, the son of Boyle, "Go thou forth onto the elm tree, and take down the colors of the enemy's tribe."

And Tutor, the son of Boyle, did as he was bidden, and his fame went out unto all the lands.

And it came to pass that all the peoples of the tribe made a great feast on the banks of a mighty river, which is unto this day called "Crooked Creek."

Thus ended the first year of their sojourn in this land.

Second Book of Chronicles.

Now in the year 1913, on the 6th day of the ninth month, Prince Tubbs again assembled all the tribes of the land unto the halls of C. T. H. S.

Moreover, all the peoples of the tribe of Freshmen, who were victors in the war of Examinations, had given unto them the name of Sophs, and they were exceeding proud. But Prince Tubbs said unto them, "Be ye not puffed up, for pride goeth before a fall, and a haughty spirit before destruction. But humble ye yourselves, and burn ye the midnight oil, and apply unto your heating brains the wet towel of your forefathers."

And shortly after all the tribes had assembled, Prince Tubbs said unto them, "Bear ye record of all that ye see, and all the things which shall come to pass, and record them in a chronicle, which shall be called "The Sphinx."

And they did likewise, and the records are kept unto this day.

And George, the son of English, was made prince of the tribe, and one Frederick, the son of Welton, was made keeper of the money, of which there was exceeding dearth. Robert, surnamed Webster, was made recorder of the chronicles, and keeper of the seal, which office he never performed.

In the sixth month, taking their carts, drawn by strong oxen, they journeyed to the great city of Sandolov, where they made merry and were glad with an exceeding great joy.

Third Book of Chronicles.

Now it happened when the people of this tribe had assembled in this land for the third time, they were called Juniors.

And one Charles, of the house of Kinnane, ruled over the tribe.

But alas! this was a time of exceeding strife and bloodshed, and much warring among the peoples of the tribe, for certain of the tribe took unto themselves the names of "Selects," and purchased of lavender and white sweaters with which to adorn their persons.

And the prophets and seers and Prince Tubbs were sore troubled and

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Longfellow could take a worthless

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genius. There are some men who could write a few words on a piece of

paper and make it worth \$8,000,000—

that's capital. The United States can

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and make it worth \$20,000—that's mon-

ey. A mechanic can take material

worth \$5 and make it into watch

springs worth \$1000—that's skill.

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take a 50-cent piece of canvas, paint

a picture on it and make it worth \$1-

000—that's art. A Greek can take an

article worth 75 cents and sell it for

a dollar—that's business. A woman

can purchase a hat for 75 cents, but

prefers one worth \$27—that's foolish-

ness. A ditch digger handles several

tons of earth for \$1.50 a day—that's

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The Geometry class did some field work Wednesday. The heights of several trees and the width of Lake Spurrier were measured.

The base ball players are taking advantage of the slightly warmer weather and are practicing out on the campus.

The assignments of the girls to their various May Pole sections are posted.

A German Club meeting was held Monday night, at the home of Gerald Kohl. Every member of the club answered roll call with a story, this constituting the program.

Mr. Grissom talked to the Economics class Tuesday on the subject of banking. The subject was so broad that Mr. Grissom was unable to cover it in one period but he will come out again in the near future.

James Armstrong is back after two days' absence. James was injured playing basket ball.

Miss Winkler has been teaching German in the Mason City, Iowa, high school since the first of this semester.

Miss Lee was absent Tuesday on account of sickness.

Mr. F. F. Stables of Mt. Vernon was in town Friday to referee the basket ball game.

The Sophomore-Senior basket ball game which was played for second place was won by the Sophs Thursday evening, 2-1.

Freda—What shall we do? Sit down and talk, or walk around?

Gladys—I'm so tired; let's walk.

Miss Mitchell has asked us for poems, And so I must cudge my sawdust, For brains, gentle reader, I have not, And still, to write poetry I must.

But if I must write it, dear reader, Will not this same poem be musty?

Ah, me! I fear I must give up,

My poem machine is too rusty.

—C. K., '16.

CHRONICLES OF THE JUNIORS

(Continued from page 7, col 2.)

admonished them thus, saying, "Be ye as brothers one unto another, and have peace among you."

But certain of the "Selects" would not hearken unto the words of the good Prince Tubbs, but made answer thus, "We have done no wrong, wherefore shall we be judged?"

But Prince Tubbs abated not his zeal, and again admonished them, and shewed them the error of their ways, and they hearkened unto him and were reconciled.

Now the children of the tribe of Juniors, after their number, to-wit, the Prince and his officers, and all the members of the tribe, which came in and went out of these halls, throughout all the days of the week, the weeks of the month, and the months of the year were in number 54.

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Gussie—I don't know. WH—doesn't look like Tutor.

Teacher—Freda, what comes after seven?

Freda (brightly)—Eight.

Teacher—And what comes after that?

Freda—Roy, with a poor excuse.

Limericks.

Oh, you little girls who came

To our school on Wednesday last;

With your locks so bobbed and banged,
You entranced all whom you passed.

Oh, you Juniors, Sophs and Seniors,
Don't you hanker after fame,

With the fresh young ones who beat
you,

E'er they were all fairly tame?

Where, oh, where is the Junior reception,
The event we have heard of in time

that is past?

We have thought that upon more sober reflection,
The later, the longer 'twill last.

If the girls of C. T. H. S.

All want to keep up with the style,
They should lay their fall bonnets away,

And take out brand new ones on
trial.

O a Senior sat on the edge of her bed,
Chewing the end of her pencil lead,
A tired hand holding a towel to her head,

And with eyes that were sleepy, and
cross, and red,

When asked why she didn't look happy, she said:

"I'm writing a thousand word theme
on bread."

MUSIC AND ART.

Schumann Program.

Work in the music class is progressing rapidly. On several days in the week startling sounds issue forth through the door and windows of Room 3, giving evidence to all that the musicians are hard at work. At present the class is working on a "Schumann Program," which will probably be given during the first week in April. The program will consist of the following numbers: "Sketch of Schumann's Life," Mary Belle Baker; vocal solos set to music composed by Schumann, Bess Johnson and Mazie Sullivan; piano selections of Schumann, Beulah Baldwin, Sula Brown and Jessie White. If this program is a success, others will probably be given sometime in the near future.

The quartettes which will contest against Mt. Vernon April 16 are practicing alternately, the girls one night, the boys the next. The girls are at work on "Welcome, Pretty Primrose Flower," by Pinsuti. The boys will sing "The Old Canoe," by Root.

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Exchanges

Among the exchanges received this month we find:

"High School Impressions," Scranton, Pa.—We certainly admire your cartoonist.

"The Lariat," Cheyenne, Wyo. — Your "Directory of Advertisers" is a splendid idea.

"The Steel Head," Dallas, Oregon.—Your history of Dallas is an original idea. We have never seen it before. We also like your "Bouquets and Brickbats." Why not make your cover more pliable and more nearly the size of your paper? It is hard to handle as it is.

"Maroon and Gray," Dallas, Tex. — Your "Current Events" column is something new. We like it.

"The Behistun," Flora, Ill.—We always enjoy your paper, it is so well balanced.

"Black and Red Review," Hannibal, Mo.—The "Weekly Calendar," on the front page of your paper, strikes us as being very helpful.

"The Somerset Idea," Somerset, Ky. —How interesting it must be to have a wireless station at your high school. You should know current events, anyway.

"The H. S. Picayune," Hoopeston, Ill.—The "Who Am I" is especially novel. Come again!

"The Distaff," Boston, Mass.—We are always glad to see your paper. Your exchange notes are always good and your jokes are not only original, but very funny.

"The College News," Bangkok, Siam—A most interesting exchange. Although we do not read Chinese, we enjoyed all we could read.

"The Oracle," Bangor, Maine.—Are you not afraid of developing your literary department to the neglect of some of the others?

"The Missouri High School," Columbia, Mo.—A good literary department would help your paper. Where are your jokes? Every paper needs a few.

"The Mirror," West Hoboken, N. J.—A new exchange. Welcome! The squibs at the bottom of your pages are very clever.

"The Review," Streator, Ill.—A good paper. Your departments are all well developed, especially the literary department.

"The Rahwack Pow Wow," Rahway, N. J.—You certainly hit the point in your "How to Kill a School Paper."

Oh, These Sophs.

Tutor (coming in from Landscape Gardening)—I wonder why they keep on making toadstools when the toads won't sit on them?

A Slam.

Miss Schafer—The first problem is a good problem for a farmer. You may read it, Paul.

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Juniors short and Juniors tall,
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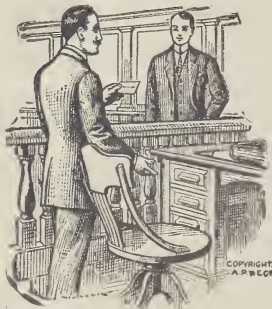
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An Analysis Of Dreams

De Witt Pulcifer, '14.

Chester Van Dusen had been my intimate friend and companion for fifteen years. Engaged in the same business, we had always been thrown in close contact with each other. At the time when both of us were young and had just set out upon the business highway, we decided that both for convenience and for our mutual help in business, we would share apartments.

So, as I said, for more than fifteen years, Van Dusen had been my closest friend and companion. Our bachelor quarters were some distance out, on Riverside drive, beyond the highly aristocratic district of the city, yet still within the precincts which were usually placed inside the social lines. There we had spent our leisure time through the years of our business struggle, and come at last to a path of comparative ease and very nearly luxury.

In the quiet of a summer evening it was our custom to stroll down to the lawn along the Hudson—there to talk and dream and pass away the time in pleasant contemplation. If you remember things as well as I do, you perhaps recall that on the opposite side of that mighty stream are the remnants of several old colonial mansions. One of these fine old homesteads was visible from our favorite lounging place, and it was this old mansion that brought to light the first installment of a strange tale. It is the story of a Fear that hounded a man to death—however substantial may have been the grounds for that Fear, no one now knows. I have no knowledge and rather less faith in reincarnation. Much less do I hold dreams a criterion, yet I have come to respect those who do. Perhaps you, too, after hearing the story of my companion and his significant departure, will have more reverence for those with superstition and faith in the uncanny, and unknown spiritual realms.

It was in the summer of two years ago. Our evenings were now claimed by the old haunts along the river and in the quiet of one of these memorable, starlit nights my companion shared with me the Fear. During the preceding winter Van Dusen had become greatly interested in the signifi-

cance of dreams. Possibly the reaction on the imagination caused his present peculiar state of mind, but at any rate, his story to me on that night presented a strange sequence.

"Do you know, Ken, I have been troubled a great deal here of late. That old manor-house over there seems to have brought on the trouble. For the past month and a half I have had periodic dreams that are the strangest things imaginable. And the astounding thing about them is that they are all practically the same. I have been hounded by these visions at night and tracked by their memory through the day. Every noise or movement startles me, and if I finally fall asleep, through sheer exhaustion, the old picture is reeled off on the screen of my dreams.

"I am wandering alone in a tangled forest, up rocky hills and down steep gullies, threading my way through the dense thickets, seemingly with no end to my journey. I seem lost. But suddenly a distant light shines through the underbrush, and I struggle eagerly toward it. Coming upon a clearing, I find myself near the mighty Hudson, which the dull, red moon has transformed into a river of blood.

"But the light that has attracted me comes from an old manor-house like that one over there. I go to the door and am admitted by a butler in colonial garb. In the high, candle-lighted drawing room, a gay throng is dancing the Virginia Reel, dressed in the costumes of a century ago. It is an old colonial hall. An aged negro is scraping away on his battered violin; the bright coats of British officers mingle with the colored muslins of the ladies' hoop-skirts; and gaiety prevails.

"My welcome is a hearty one. Every favor is shown me and I am soon dancing with the belle of the ball. Many times I dance with her, till we finally retire to an old wing-backed settee in the chimney-corner. Our seeming devotion is noted with dark glances of hatred by a smart-looking British officer. I had noticed him several times and wondered at his jealousy. Suddenly he appeared before us

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DELPHICS GIVE APRIL PROGRAM

APRIL'S SHARE IN THE UNITED STATES' HISTORY MAKES GOOD PROGRAM.

The third section of the Delphic Literary Society gave its program Friday morning. Mary Belle Baker was in the President's chair for the first time.

The events which have happened in April and the great men and women born in this month, were subjects of the program. Perhaps any month may have many important events connected with it, but April seems to have an especially large number. April played an important part in the Revolution, the Civil War and the Spanish-American War. The Louisiana Purchase, the importance of which was emphasized, was brought to a successful conclusion in April. Another important event of much interest, especially since the completion of the Panama Canal, was discussed. This was the Clayton-Bulwer treaty of 1850. General Grant and Miss Jane Addams were mentioned as two of April's most noted representatives.

The musical numbers of the program were greatly enjoyed. Harry Davis sang "Somewhere a Voice is Calling," and Freda Dardis played two beautiful piano solos.

Aside from the exceptionally entertaining program, an unusual number of visitors was a noticeable difference. Many of the visitors were students of the C. T. H. S., home for the Easter vacation.

The program was as follows:
Piano solo, Virginia Sullivan;
"American Revolution and April," Mable Goatly; "Grandmother's Story of Bunker Hill," Colleen Reichenbach; "The Louisiana Purchase of April, 1803," Arthur Howells; "April and the War of 1812," Mayne Prickett; "Clayton-Bulwer Treaty of April, 1850," Olle Stoafer; "A Ballad from April," Esther Rogers; "The Part April Played in the Civil War," Carl Whitchurch; vocal solo, Harry Davis; "What April and a Bull Fight Did for Jane Addams," Margaret Ferry; "A Monument to the Soldiers," Madge Tucker; piano solo, Freda Dardis.

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ness Manager.

Just eight more weeks of High School work this year, and a very busy eight weeks it should be for every student. We have three important events coming in April, the intellectual contest with Mt. Vernon High School, the Junior reception, and the invitational meet to be held here. Then in May we have our May festival and the out of door play, the track and intellectual meet to be held at Carbondale, the preparation for the Senior play and Commencement, and, most important of all events, final exams. These events will, to a certain extent, interfere with our routine of study, so why not take advantage of the time, between events to cram? We should not be satisfied with just pulling through, but endeavor to finish with a creditable record. Study now and between times, then give your hearty and enthusiastic support to these events which will bring credit and honor to dear old C. T. H. S.

Great Progress.

"Well," asked the proud father of his high school son, "how are you getting along in Latin?"

"Oh, fine," answered his pride and joy, "I can say: 'Thank you' and 'if you please' in it."

"That's more than you did in English," said father.

Ignorance is Bliss.

Grace (in English)—Is it true that a hare when pursued will always come back to the place where it started from?

Miss Lee—I don't know. I've never pursued one.

ROSSET AS

The German Club met at the home of Ruby Smith Tuesday evening. Mr. Guenther returned with his new bride this week.

Miss Lee spent the week-end in Chicago.

The Cenichia camp will meet at the home of Ruth Rickards Thursday evening.

Nellie Brueggman has returned to resume her school work where she dropped it last year.

The Navajo camp met Saturday. Robert Hoag visited school Friday. The work on the Oral English play is going along smoothly.

AN ANALYSIS OF DREAMS

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and thrust an accusing finger into my face.

"You're a spy! Damn you!" he yells. "We've found your papers!"

"Then we clash. He is an expert swordsman, but I am driven on with more power than skill. Evidently patriotism directs my sword-thrusts, for a straight job soon catches him and his heart is severed in two. Jerking some papers from his clenched first, I thrust them into the hand of the girl. 'To General Gates!' I gasp, and turn to hold back the mob of now hostile guests, while my lovely maiden makes away. She smashes a window to escape and at the same instant there is a flash—and I wake up!"

We walked home in silence. In the library I took down a volume entitled "An Analysis of Dreams," by Professor A. E. Gilham, the noted theosophist. Opening it at random, I scanned a passage:

"Admitting that there is in many cases more than the mere fancy of the brain in dreams, we are forced to one of two theories. First, the soul either leaves the body and actually passes through the dreamed event, or, second, the soul remembers and seems to live over again some incident of a former life."

I tossed the book into the corner and advised Van Dusen to take a camping trip into the Catskills for the remainder of the summer. Shortly afterwards we closed our apartment, Van Dusen going into upper New York in search of rest, and I to the boardwalk of Atlantic City.

Sitting in the lobby of the Rathskeller one evening, my eye caught a newspaper that dumbfounded me.

"Haverhill, N. Y., Aug. 15.—While hunting in the woods near here, a party of hunters found the body of a man, later identified as that of Chester Van Dusen, a prominent New York business man. The body was found in the old Bennet House, which is a relic of the Revolution and has not been occupied for years.

"It is said that Van Dusen was on a camping trip for his health, which had been broken by over-work. A verdict of heart-failure was rendered by the coroner's jury.

"A curious history attaches itself to the house. It is the former home of a Tory, whose daughter was buried for her beauty. A captain in Bur-

goyne's army fell in love with her, but it seems that she was a patriot at heart and favored an American spy. It is said that one one occasion she carried his message through the enemy's lines to General Gates. The spy was killed in the fight near the same fire-place by which Van Dusen's body was found."

Immediately upon my return to New York I went into our library and tenderly picked the discarded "Analysis of Dreams" from its dust-laden corner.

(ED. NOTE—This story which recently attracted so much attention at the University of Illinois as the work of a Freshman at that University, was the winner in a recent short story contest conducted by the Illinois Magazine. De Witt Pulphifer, one of the most enterprising of C. T. H. S. graduates, by his clever ingenuity and skill was distinguished by being pronounced winner.)

Weakly Advice.

As my mind is of a culinary turn this week I will proceed to explain the construction of a doughnut. A doughnut, like any other nut, in shape is cylindrical. But although all circles contain 360 degrees, yet these circles of sweetness do not always coincide. Now in order to make these exactly the way they should be, take as many hickory nuts as will be necessary for the family, one bottle of liquid glue,—the kind our school uses to stick seat numbers on with,—and as much pepper as is needed to give the mixture a proper consistency. Prunes should be used sparingly as should also egg plant, as these are injurious to the kettle in which the nuts are cooked.

Now heat a spider-full of leaf lard. If you cannot get leaf lard, pine needles will serve the purpose. If the spider jumps, fasten it securely to stove by its legs. Always impress upon it that it is the duty of every spider to lie still. For this purpose any high school orator will be found waiting.

Now roll out the original mixture with a well planed shingle. Be very careful to cut the holes round and not square. In cooking, these holes should be first considered since they are the best part of the doughnut and when not cooked properly are liable to amount to zero.

After cooking the holes and nuts, carefully roll them in powdered pumice stone and serve at the next reception to the Seniors.

Teacher (in spelling)—Limburg is a province in Belgium.

Helen—Are people from there called Limburger?

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ALUMNI NOTES

Harriet Cade, '13, Nellis Parkinson, '09, and George Walraven, '12, of Milliken University, spent their Easter vacation with home folks.

Dorothy Bundy, '10, of Wisconsin University was home for the Easter holidays.

All of the C. T. H. S. alumni who attend the U. of I. were home during the Easter vacation: Bertha Erbes, '09; Burnham Walraven, Alfred Kinsey, '12, Justin Kohl, '13; Rowena Kohl, De Witt Pulcifer, Esther Storer, Harold Westbrook, '14.

Elsie Saxer, '15, of St. Louis, spent Saturday and Sunday at home.

Vernon Parkinson, '13, of the Washington University of St. Louis, spent the week-end in Centralia. Reinhardt Egger, '12, of Missouri University, spent his vacation with home folks. Ralph Pixley, '14, went to St. Louis Tuesday, where he attended the piano concert given by Busoni.

CALENDAR.

Jan. 1—Many resolutions and turning of new leaves (don't worry! not school books).

Jan. 2—Last call. Everybody goes to a party. Last time for six months.

Jan. 3—Prayers—and groans.

Jan. 4—Merry Xmas. Happy New Year. Get to work.—Mr. Tubbs.

Jan. 5—No order. Wonder why?

Jan. 6—Ragtime violin. Our school will go to rack and ruin.

Jan. 7—We must use electricity and a damp, wet towel. Exams near.

Jan. 8.—The joke-editor has a birthday. Don't begrudge it to her. She doesn't get much of anything else. (Haw-Haw!)

Jan. 11—Grind, grind, grind. — we feel like a coffee mill. Exams still coming.

Jan. 12—Tryouts soon. See young heads with lots of gray hair!

Jan. 13—"Sphinx" comes out and so weiter.

Jan. 14—We hear we are to have lots of new Freshies next semester. Let us sing "Wearin' o' the Green."

Jan. 15.—Our team is gebeaten. How funny we feel inside!

Jan. 18—Wonder why May and Tony hang around together so?

Jan. 19—Exams next three days and much weariness and so many sighs. Teachers, you should know everything we've told you.

Jan. 20—How empty we feel. Exams.

Jan. 21—More exams. More emptiness.

Jan. 22—Game with Anna. They're crazy, anyway.

Jan. 24—See the Freshies. How little! How big!

Jan. 25—Music from Freshies' shoes at chapel this morning.

Jan. 26—Editorial to Freshies by the Editor. She was a Freshie once, but who'da thunk it?

Jan. 27—We have ein new teacher. Prayer: May he let us throw notes in Assembly!

Jan. 28—To the Freshie—by Mr. Tubbs: "You must now cease looking at our magnificently beautiful building and go to work."

Feb. 1—Lecture by our renowned

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Echoes From Mt. Vernon.

"Let's get out and fix it!"

"Why, we've waited 15 minutes for them!"

"We got in the mud knee deep."

"No I will speak. You have TWO min-utes."

"No I will speak again."

"Ain't it nice to wait until Harry's filled up?"

"Harry knows the way, don't worry."

"Now, William, wait for Gerald."

"All our musicians went down and there wasn't no music."

"I have a quarter left."

"Did you find it, Miss Mitchell?"

"Are you sure Gerald's coming?"

"That girl's got some voice!"

"Did you hear 'em yell for Centralia?"

"They gave us some towels to wipe the mud on."

"Centralia's visitin' tonight."

"What do the contestants have to sit on the platform for?"

"Oh, marm! My fa-ther said 'so be it.'"

"Mt. Vernon's all right, anyhow."

"Oh, they've gone to fix Gerald's spring."

"Watchout, Curtiss, here comes another hill!"

"Who said 'brain sandwiches'?"

CALENDAR

(Continued from page 3, col 2.)
principal. We should cease chewing gum, whispering, etc. It is against the rule of this State.

Feb. 2—Ground-hog day. No sun. Rain. It will be time to prophecy.

Feb. 3—Sphinx out today—what made them put that joke in on me?

Feb. 4—Snow today—fine skating on Lake Spurrier.

Feb. 5—Oh, goody! Friday at last. Our regular farewell lecture.

Saturday and Sunday—But no rest for the weary.

Feb. 8—Mr. Tubbs plays victrola this morning. Our Xmas present.

Feb. 9—For why does Miss Erbes read war news to German studies? Nuff war here!

Feb. 10—Physics quiz!!

Feb. 11—Rain at 3:30. Where's my umbrella?

Feb. 12—Some of the boys have a stag meeting, girls all jealous.

Intermission.

Feb. 15—Junior meeting called—no Juniors appear—smatter?

Feb. 17—Girls play basket ball—Alice, what's wrong with your elbow?

Feb. 18—School to have picture taken—Where's my powder puff?

Feb. 19—Iris Society gives Washington program today. Dear old cherry tree!

(One minute, please—pencil broken.)

Feb. 22—Another interesting lecture. Then—"Away to the woods."

Feb. 23—Let not your heart be troubled—Juniors have selected reception committees.

Feb. 24—Everybody getting ready for tournament, whee!

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MAY FESTIVAL PLANS ARE NOW COMPLETE

**SUCCESSFUL MEET IS ASSURED,
WITH MANY TEAMS
ENTERED.**

The plans for the long expected May Festival are now complete, and work has been begun to make it a great success. Mr. Tubbs is now finishing the minor details.

The track meet, one important part of the festival, will be held May 1 at the White City track. This is the only good place near Centralia where such an event could be held, thus making it necessary to hold it a little far from the center of town. The usual events will be held in the following order: 220-yard hurdles, trial heats; 100-yard dash, trial heats; 880-yard run; 100-yard dash, final; 440-yard run; 220-yard hurdles, final; relay race; hammer throw; discus hurl; running broad jump; shot put; running hop-step-jump; pole vault.

Solid gold, silver and bronze medals will be given to the winners of the three places in the various events, while cups will be given winning school and relay team. These medals and cups will be first-class and impartial judges will render the decisions.

Another important event of the May Festival will be the intellectual contest. The events are: Reading (girls), declamation (boys), vocal solo (girls), vocal solo (boys), quartet (boys). The preliminaries will be held at the high school. In each event two contestants will be selected to take part in the finals. The finals will be held in the Baptist church on the evening of May 1.

The first event in point of time will be the May Pole Dance, which is to be held on the high school campus on the afternoon of April 30. The girls have been practicing for this event for several weeks under the direction of Miss Mitchell.

Friday evening at 8 o'clock the play will be given by members of the high school, who have also been under the care of Miss Mitchell. The comedy, "Engaged by Wednesday," is sure to be greatly enjoyed.

Mr. Tubbs will be glad to furnish particulars to anyone desiring to enter any event, or anyone who wishes to attend the Festival.

TENNIS ASSOCIATION HOLDS A MEETING

LEON SHERMAN ELECTED PRESIDENT—LOOMIS, SEC. TREAS.—COMMITTEES FORMED.

Last Friday a meeting of all students interested in tennis was held in Room 3. A large number of students were present and prospects indicate a large and enthusiastic membership in the Tennis Association this year.

Leon Sherman was unanimously elected president of the association and immediately invited all present to hand in twenty-five cents, the regular membership tax. Percy Loomis was elected to the joint office of secretary-treasurer.

A committee composed of Harry Davis, Raymond Leonard and Robert Webster was appointed to see about the cleaning up of the courts and also to see about the condition of the tennis equipment, racquets, nets, etc. This committee has not yet made its report, but it would seem that the courts will have to be leveled and marked, the backstops repaired and new racquets and nets purchased. This, it will be seen, will require quite an outlay.

The amount of interest shown is quite encouraging for the sport is a good, healthy one, and C. T. H. S. has shown a great deal of good material. According to the rules of the Association, racquets and nets are furnished by the Association to its members as well as a place to play, providing proper use is made of this privilege.

ALDEN PERRINE WILL BE THE NEXT EDITOR

Next year's editor-in-chief, Alden Perrine, of the Junior Class, has assumed the duties of the next several issues of the "Sphinx," under the supervision of the present editor. In this way he will gain an idea of his next year's duties and be better able to begin his work when the time comes. Work on the big Commencement Number will also be begun immediately.

Margaret—Is a vessel a boat?
Hilda—Yes, you can call it that.
Margaret—Well, what kind of a boat is a blood-vessel?
Hilda—A life-boat. Let's go to class.

TRACK PRACTICE NOW WELL UNDER WAY

**LOOMIS, BEAVER, DAVIS, GEARY,
FINCH FROM LAST YEAR'S
TEAM ARE OUT.**

Track prospects for C. T. H. S. are not quite as bright as they should be at this time of the year. With the big invitational meet coming off within the next three weeks, it is surprising what little interest is being taken in this sport, for a school as large as C. T. H. S.

Baseball interest is drawing men away from track and training, a thing which should not be. Baseball is a good sport, but it fails to pay, for there is no competition with neighboring schools. If this coming athletic meet is to be an annual affair, the boys of C. T. H. S. will have to take hold and make it a success.

A few fellows have been sticking to hard work and are reported doing well. Following are the names of those who are trying out and the positions they hope to fill: Quarter mile, Percy Loomis; 220-yard dash, Harry Davis, Alden Perrine, Percy Loomis; 50-yard dash, Harry Davis, Percy Loomis; 100-yard dash, Harry Davis, Percy Loomis; running broad, Percy Loomis, Harry Davis; quarter mile, Percy Loomis; weights, Louis Beaver, Curtiss Grissom; 220-yard hurdles, Alden Perrine; distance, John Finch, Carl Keller, Dwight Geary, Clifford Grear; standing high, Ray Root, Carl Neimier, Louis Beaver; running long jump, Harry Davis; standing broad jump, Carl Neimier, Ray Root.

By a careful perusal of the above list it can be seen that this meet is dependent upon the efforts of only a few men. C. T. H. S. should have more men trying out. The veterans, Loomis, Davis and Beaver, will all graduate this year, leaving the reputation of the school to untied men. Grissom, Geary, Finch and Greer are the only ones who have tried to do anything before this year. Upon them mainly next year's success depends. C. T. H. S. will need new men for the dashes and jumps. Come and try out!

Miss Mitchell—Why, have you forgotten your pencil? What would you think of a soldier who came to war without a gun?

Beulah—I'd think he was an officer?

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The business men of Centralia have supported the "Sphinx" in such a way that the students of C. T. H. S. should be grateful, but now their support is needed in another way.

As is well-known by now, the great track and intellectual meet will be held here May 1. The expenses for this meet will be very heavy, making necessary some hard work on the part of those who have it in charge. In other towns when track meets are given, the merchants help by giving some of the cups or medals. These merchants realize that they might get much more for their money in other ways as far as advertising is concerned, but most of them do not do it for that reason.

They know what a track meet means to a school and town. Hundreds of visitors will come, not only those who take part, but others who come merely as spectators. An event of this kind has a stimulating effect on the town as well as the school.

Others give merely because they wish to encourage some intellectual or athletic event in which they are especially interested. The students of the high school, especially those actively working to make this event a success, would be grateful for some help in this direction.

Alden Perrine '16.

Limericks.

"The fools are not all dead," quoth he,
Her answer took him quite aback.
"I'm very glad of it," said she,
"I never did look well in black!"

They bill and coo before they're wed,
They joy in lover's laughter;
But when the marriage words are said,
It's mostly bill they're after.

ROSETTAS

Grades for the second report period are due next Wednesday evening.

Cenicha Camp met at the home of Ruth Rickards Thursday evening.

Plans for the Junior reception are progressing rapidly, if it can be judged by the amount of whispering going on among the members of that class.

The choir of Francis Rogier is beginning to give forth promise of a good crop later in the season.

The grade schools were out Thursday and Friday, thus giving many students a chance to visit the high school. Among the visitors were Lavinia Pyke, Edna Welton, Esther Desant and Nellie Lambdin.

Mr. Tubbs and Miss Mitchell went to Moline Monday to attend a meeting of the teachers of Southern Illinois.

Aerna Tring was in St. Louis on business Wednesday.

Miss Brunton acted as principal during the absence of Mr. Tubbs.

Antonina Fischbacha was absent from school Friday.

Lorothy Burr has been absent on account of illness.

TO OUR EASTER SCHOOL - MT. VERNON

Well, here's to you, Mt. Vernon,
Although you're gettin' slow.

We know that we can beat you,
However much you blow.

But, nevertheless, Mt. Vernon,
We like you just the same.

For though you are our rival,
You aren't so much to blame.

We felt for you this winter

When you couldn't even show
What sand there was inside you.

But oh, alas 'twas so!
They took your Armory building,

Those naughty, naughty men,
And never even offered

To give it back again.

Well, here's to you, Mt. Vernon,
And we hope there'll be a time

When you can have a basket-ball
And we, a game sublime.

For all the bites that we do know
There's nothing any sweeter

Than beatin' old Mt. Vernon,
And doin' nothing neater.

Now, don't get peeved, Mt. Vernon,
For we wrote this in good faith,

And won't you please confess, now,
That you're like a shadow wraith?

Past victories you have won,
Past eminence you have gained,

But now, alas, you have lost that art
For which you were so famed.

JENNIE GRACE TERPINITZ, '16.

How Brilliant.

Miss Mitchell—Think about it. Put yourself in her place.

Hyacinth (brightly)—How can we? You told us to sit here.

Invention.

Mr. Patrick—If there wasn't any land or any sea there wouldn't be any transportation.

Helen—Yes, there, would be. You could use an aeroplane!

ADREAMIN'.

When the wind's ablowin', an' the sky's asnowin',

And the trees are snappin' over-head;

When you go arockin' with your shoes a-sloppin',

An' your feel amovin' just like lead; Ain't you kinder wishin' for to go a-fishin',

Or to lay around an' eat an' sleep; Just adoin' nothin' 'cept sometimes a-cussin'.

When the bugs an' skeeters roun' you creep?

Why, you can see the river tho' the wind jus' makes you shiver,

'Cause you know you're only seein' in your dreams;

You can see it kinda shimmer, sorta spin aroun' and glimmer,

It's jus' like a bed of silver, so it seems;

And the winds ablowin' lazy, an' the woods seem sorta hazy,

An' the birds' jus' 'cheep aroun' so sleep-like.

Then you wake up awful sudden, jus' in time to hear the rushin'.

Of the muddy, slushy water in the pipes.

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Miss Eva Hopkins, '12, visited in Herrin Wednesday.

Miss Mona Horn departed Thursday for a visit of two months in Texas.

Blanche and Louise Bales have returned from a trip to Chicago and Champaign.

Mrs. Roy Goddard (Bessie Marshall) '13, of Evanston, was in Centralia April 17th. The occasion of her visit was a sad one, the burial of her mother.

Mrs. Lizzie Williams (Proffice), '06, spent Sunday in Mt. Vernon.

Nellie Morrison, '11, and her sister, Jessie, '10, spent the week-end in Dix.

Mrs. J. E. Bennett, '02, and Mrs. E. Bennett (Ethel Koehler), '04, of Chicago were here Sunday.

Prof. Raymond Gillett and Mrs. Gillett (Anna Pratt), '05, have returned from a pleasant trip to Florida.

Mrs. Lillian Schroeder (Allmon), '08, of East St. Louis, is visiting her parents.

Mrs. Louis Porter (Andrews), '08, entertained the Violet Club Saturday.

TICK! TICK! TICK!

So the seconds of time all flee
And the day that I leave this high school

Comes nearer and nearer to me.

Oh, Well, for those who are idle,
Who loiter the live long day;

They do not know the value of time
That is swiftly passing away.

And those who take things for granted,
Who are slowly plodding along;

Some day they will miss it and wonder
Where the time is; they've sold for

a pang.

I grieve every second and minute
That will swiftly and silently go,

Until now and the day of my leaving,
When I reap what I now do sow.

Tick! Tick! Tick!

You relentless scorer of time;
You are steadily stealing from me.

The minutes that ought to be mine.

MARGUERITE SHANKLIN, '16.

Too Cruel.

Freda—Mr. Trout, can you give me the title of a short book to report on?

Mr. Trout—Certainly. Here is one that will just suit you. It is called, "It is Never Too Late to Mend!"

A student was very busy studying a map. "What are you looking for?"

asked a friend. "Oh," answered the student, "Mr. Trout told us to look up all the places on the map and here it says 'Columbus was at the Point of Starvation,' and I can't find it anywhere."

Book Agent—Let me sell you this encyclopedia.

Mr. Patrick—No, thank you. My daughter will soon be home from college and she'll know everything that's in it.

Mr. Trout—Name some important things that exist today, but were unknown one hundred years ago.

Antonia—You and me!

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Weakly Advice.

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"He sed: 'Oh—a—hell!'

"Now wouldn't that surprise you? It sure surprised me sum. Of course I wouldn't have been surprised if it had been his cousin Walter, but it surprised me sum. He always seemed such a nice buoy. Didn't yew think so?

"Please advise me soon bee-cause I am in a awful suspense. One of yours as well as one of Wilsun's

"ADMIRERS."

(Reply.)

My Dear Admirer:— You should take up theology as a profession. You are naturally inclined in that manner. As to Wilson, I advise you to shun him as you should all evil. You might lay a bible on his desk or a copy of the rules of the C. T. H. S., which can be found in any Freshman's desk. These two may cure him of his profanity. Perhaps it would be a Christian act if you would quietly, without speech, lead Wilson in the paths of righteousness. If you cannot do this by yourself, perhaps Mr. Trout will aid you. He always helps people get along in this world. Kindly follow these directions and you will find that you have not applied in vain to

THE MISADVISERESS.

Mr. Tubbs (severely)—This excuse doesn't look like your mother's writing. Freda.

Freda—No, sir. I'm teaching her the new way to write.

Swans die before they sing;
 It would be no bad thing
 if some of us could die
 Before we learn to sing.

Teacher—Anything is transparent that can be seen through. Can you give me an example, Robert?

Robert—Yes, ma'am. A hole in a baseball fence.

Miss Fuller—James, what is a vacuum?

James—I-er-I have it in my head, but I can't think of it!

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Friday, April 16—Gertrude McCoy in "A Tragedy of the Rails," two-reel railroad drama.

Saturday, April 17, "The Rainy Day," in two parts, with Ormi Hawley and a Vitagraph comedy with Billy Quirk.

Coming—the Lubin serial, "The Road o' Strife," 15 episodes, presenting CRANE WILBUR.

THE SPRING

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MT. VERNON HIGH WINS OUT OVER C. T. H. S. IN DUAL MEET

CENTRALIA IS DEFEATED BY RIVAL SCHOOL IN BOTH BIG INTELLECTUAL CONTESTS BY TWO ONE-SIDED SCORES.

The two dual contests between C. T. H. S. and Mt. Vernon Friday night resulted in a defeat for C. T. H. S., the total scores of the two meets being Mt. Vernon 64, Centralia 48. The same teams which took part in the Inter-Society Contest took part in the contests Friday night, although the team division was not the same.

The contests, which were intended to arouse interest in intellectual contests in the two towns, might be considered at least in part successful. The team which went to Mt. Vernon reported that every possible courtesy was shown them, and it is hoped that the Mt. Vernon team made the same favorable report of the treatment received here.

The high school intellectual team which represented the school here last Friday night was defeated by a one-sided score of 5 to 2. This does not mean that the contest was one-sided, for it surely was not. It does mean, however, that Mt. Vernon happened to win every close decision, where there was room for doubt.

This defeat was most unwelcome and unexpected. Perhaps the ability of the C. T. H. S. team was overestimated, or perhaps the strength of Mt. Vernon was underestimated. Despite their victory Mt. Vernon is not sure to win the contest here on the first of May, for Centralia is going to improve before that contest.

Every member of the C. T. H. S. squad did well and much credit can be given to Mt. Vernon for the victory which it won. James Armstrong registered the first success for Centralia when he secured first place in the boy's vocal solo. James is champion of Southern Illinois at present.

Our other victory was in the declamation. Leon Sherman deserves great credit for his victory. His oration was "The New South," by Henry W. Grady. The other events were won by Mt. Vernon, although the contest was close in each event but the boys' quartet. The C. T. H. S. quartet, which was just recently formed, has had hardly enough time to get in shape,

and was at a great disadvantage against the Mt. Vernon four.

Five points were given for first place and three for second; the score therefore was Centralia 25, Mt. Vernon 31.

The program was: Boy's solo, "Beloved, It Is Morn," (by Florence Aylward), James Armstrong; "When the Heart is Young," (by Dudley Buck), Leland Rubottom; girl's recitation, "As the Moon Rose," Grace Butler; "The Leper," (by N. P. Willis), Katherine Miller; girl's solo, "My Heart Song," (by Cuthbert Wynne), Jennie Grace Terpinitz; "One Fine Day," (by Giacomo Puccini), Neone Hobbs; boy's declamation, "Daniel O'Connell," (by Wendell Phillips), Silas Sneed; "The New South," (by Henry W. Grady), Leon Sherman; piano solo, "The Flatterer," (by Chaminade), and "To a Water Lily," (by MacDowell), Ruby Smith; "Ballade," (by Chopin), Will Tucker; extempore, May Wallis, Silas Sneed; boys' quartet, "The Old Canoe," (by George F. Root), Merritt McDowell, James Armstrong, Chester White, Hallie Redus; "Good Night," (by J. A. Parks), Leland Rubottom, Clarence Jarrel, Will Tucker and Gale Gilbert.

Mable Murfin gave a violin solo as an extra number.

The contest at Mt. Vernon was held in the Methodist church and was witnessed by a large and enthusiastic, though entirely courteous crowd. The Centralia contestants have nothing but praise to offer concerning the treatment they received at the hands of Mt. Vernon.

The contest at Mt. Vernon was seemingly an overwhelming victory for the enemy, the rivals of C. T. H. S. receiving six points for first places while C. T. H. S. was awarded first place in but one event, Mazie Sullivan winning out in the girl's solo. Before and after the program the high school orchestra furnished some very enjoyable musical numbers.

The first event was the boy's solo, which was won by Norman Clark of Mt. Vernon with the selection, "If I" (Continued on page 2, column 2.)

IRIS SOCIETY GIVES EXPOSITION PROGRAM

PANAMA EXPOSITION AND PANAMA CANAL TALKED ON BY IRIS FOURTH SECTION.

The fourth section of the Iris Literary Society gave the regular Friday program. As the Panama Exposition is at present attracting a large amount of interest, it was taken as a subject for the program. Of course the Panama Canal, the cause of this great celebration, did not go unmentioned.

The speakers who spoke on the Exposition took up the various topics of particular interest. The different countries exhibiting and the different exhibits were discussed. Nothing seems to be unaffected by the European war. Its effect was felt in a harmful way by the Exposition management when the exhibits were being gathered together. A beneficial effect which is expected to follow is an increased number of visitors from this country, the war making European travel impossible. On the other hand, the war will keep many foreign visitors away.

A description of the grounds was given. As was stated, undoubtedly this World's Fair is distinctive in the style of architecture and in the coloring, which is quite a contrast to the "White Cities" of past fairs.

The San Diego fair, which was considered as a part of the larger one at San Francisco, seems, according to the speakers, to have hardly been appreciated or its importance realized. The San Diego fair is almost entirely to celebrate the commercial advantages which are to come to the whole world, especially to the United States, as a result of the completion of the great canal.

The pleasure seekers and sight-seers' paradise, the Yosemite Valley, was also described. No description of the fair would be complete without mention of these natural attractions which, in connection with the fair, make people willing to cross the continent.

The Panama Canal, its fortification, construction, sanitation and government was discussed. Its fortifications were especially emphasized, the size of its guns and the general strength of its defenses being compared with those of Europe, at the present time.

The program was ended by a piano (Continued on page 4, column 2.)

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ADVERTISING RATES

Quoted upon application to the Busi-
ness Manager.

C. T. H. S. met defeat twice Friday
night in the Intellectual meets held
here and at Mt. Vernon. But these de-
feats will be forgotten if the track and
intellectual meet to be held here May
1, is won.

There are many things which, it
seems, should work toward a victory.
First, the interest in such events is
just being aroused. It is almost im-
possible for a school to win any meet
in which there is little interest taken.
No one is to be blamed for the lack
of support. It takes time for any
game or line of endeavor to gain a
foothold in a school and town. Last
year was the first year any such event
was ever held in Centralia, and for so
short a time the interest in intellectual
meet has made rapid progress.

During the next events this grow-
ing interest will be felt and it should
help to gain a victory for C. T. H. S.
The judges will be the best to be had
and if the members of the C. T. H. S.
team do not win, it will be because
some other team is better. This is
something that we should not be
ashamed of, for if a team is superior
it should win.

Marguerite—What's that white stuff
on your shoulder?

Tom—Chalk, from a billiard cue,
you know.

Marguerite (sniffing) — Hereafter
don't use chalk that smells like talcum
powder.

Effe (in H. H. Arts)—Do you call
these good safety matches? They
won't light at all.

Miss Murray—Well, what could be
safer?

MT. VERNON HIGH WINS OUT OVER C. T. H. S. IN DUAL MEET

(Continued from page 1, column 2.)

but Knew." Harry Davis, the Cen-
tralia representative, sang "Because,"
by Guy D. Hardelet.

The winning extempore speech was
"The United States and Neutrality," by
Carlton Christian of Mt. Vernon. An-
tonia Fischbacha drew the topic, "Im-
migration Laws."

Mazie Sullivan of C. T. H. S. won
the girl's solo, singing "A Thrush at
Eve." Eugenia Moss sang "A May
Morning."

The girl's recitation was won by
Lucile Loyd of Mt. Vernon, who gave
"A Madonna of the Tubs." Madge
Tucker recited "The Piper."

The Mt. Vernon girls' quartet, which
sang "Maid of the Mist," defeated the
selection "Welcome, Pretty Primrose
Flower," of the Centralia quartet.

Carlton Christian again won out in
the boy's declamation with "Regulus
to the Carthaginians," defeating Wil-
liam Bellamy, who gave "A Plea for
Cuba," by John M. Thurston.

The final event, the piano solo, was
won by Dorothy Rutherford of Mt.
Vernon, who played "Rondo Capric-
cioso." Freda Dardis played "Prelude
Number One" by Czerwonky.

GREAT HAVOC WROUGHT BY EARTHQUAKE

Last Friday night while the inhabi-
tants of the city of Centralia were
slumbering peacefully in their beds,
they were aroused by a loud rumbl-
ing noise, which struck terror into
their hearts. But this was only the
forerunner of an earthquake which
followed soon after. The center of the
disturbance seemed to be in the neigh-
borhood of the Baptist church. The
heavens grew dark; the earth trembled
and shook. Houses and buildings, in
the grip of this mighty force, were as
straw. The destruction was universal,
the mortality appalling. But already
every indication points to a speedy
recovery and rapid rehabilitation. All
are agreed that a greater, grander,
nobler Centralia will rise out of the
ruins. The spirit of her people is invin-
cible.

Although the above is allegorical, it
is a fairly accurate description of
what took place last Friday night. We
met the "enemy" and we are theirs.
While we are humiliated at our over-
whelming defeat at the hands of Mt.
Vernon, we have no excuses to offer.
Dame Fortune seemed to be against
us. In the numbers that were close,
we failed to get a single break in our
favor. The situation is very much the
same as it was last year after the in-
tellectual contest which was held down
at Harrisburg. The disappointment,
however, was not quite so keen then
as it is now. We lost. But we knew
full well that we had the material
which would compel recognition by
affirmative decisions under more fa-
vorable circumstances. With this
same material we entered the intel-
lectual contest at Carbondale, and won
first place among the high schools of
this section of Illinois.

It would not be in good part for us
to complain. We are better sports
than that. Mt. Vernon's representa-

tives were strictly first-class. We
honor them for their ability. We
thank them for their open-handed hos-
pitality and the royal treatment which
they accorded our team while in their
city. May the same good feeling be-
tween the two schools continue al-
ways.

When the result of the decision of
the judges was announced for the
contest here a mighty wall went up
from our people. But when the news
came over the wire that our defeat
down at Mt. Vernon was even more
crushing, the humiliation was com-
plete. After the smoke of battle has
cleared away, we find that although
we have suffered a terrible defeat, we
will present a more formidable front to
the "enemy" in the future than even
we ourselves ever thought we were ca-
pable of presenting. The state of le-
thargy which for weeks past has seized
upon our people has been shaken off.
We believe this to be one of the best
lessons that has ever been taught to
C. T. H. S. Our attitude is right. The
chastening which we have received
will be of untold value to us as individ-
uals and as a school. With that grim
determination which was exemplified
in the motto, "Conquer or Die," of
the Spartan of old, let us gird up our
loins for the contests which will come
in the future. C. T. H. S. can and must
win.

RAVELOE'S EXPEDITION TO THE UNKNOWN

Great was the excitement in Raveloe
when Mr. Macey thought it high time
for his parish to know something of
the outside world. So accordingly
twenty picked men were to go on this
journey. True, three or four other ex-
peditions had been sent to make this
journey, but alas! nothing was ever
heard of them and it was supposed
they had perished by the hand of the
devil himself. Many were the tears
when the brave twenty started on this
journey to the unknown.

After a day's travel the men came
upon something that made everyone
rack his brain. This thing was in a
huge crop of wheat; this they knew,
and great was the wonder when the
thing started out and would eat the
wheat and spit it out in bundles. That
night when all was dark and quiet
Prof. Macey and General G. Cass ap-
proached the monster. General Cass
put this for his first entry in his
diary:

"On June 21st 17—We saw a wheat
hawk sent by the very devil himself to
destroy the crops of the sinners. Now,
this monster can only be approached
at night and while asleep. Only four
of our brave men dare face it even
while asleep. This monster eats
wheat and spits its cud on the ground.
We are now in the land of the sin-
ners."

Next morning while the brave twenty
were crossing a road a monster shot
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ROSETTAS

Miss Erbes was absent from school this morning on account of illness.

The entries for the track meet are due to be in Friday, the 23d.

The tennis courts are rapidly being put in shape. Games are expected to start soon.

Track practice will be held from now on at White City.

Harlon Boyle was absent Thursday and Friday.

Centralia will be represented at Carlyle by James Armstrong in the oration, Antonia Fischbacha, May Wallis.

Antonia Fischbacha, Beulah Davis, Freda Dardis, Bess Johnson and Madge Tucker were absent from school Friday.

Invitations are out for a reception to be given by the Juniors for the Seniors next Friday at C. T. H. S.

Miss Erbes was absent from school Monday.

The second report period closes Wednesday. This period was longer than usual, there being seven weeks in it instead of the customary six weeks.

Miss Brunton treated her English IV classes to a test on the second act of Macbeth Monday.

Ruth Rickards, 14, was a high school visitor Thursday.

The May Queen and attendants met for practice at the home of Ruth Rickards Monday evening.

The Drawing and Art Class is to do some decorating of the costumes to be worn in the May Pole dances.

RAVELOE'S EXPERIMENT TO THE UNKNOWN

(Continued from page 2, column 3.)

out and by them. This thing was all red, ran on four small wheels, had no horses to pull it, and, worst of all, had two huge glassy eyes in front. Gen. G. Cass put this for the second entry in his diary:

"Seen on the 22nd. Day of June 17—The devil's own horse. Now this monster is all red, like the devil, has two huge eyes in front to see sinners so it can carry them to hell. The only reason it did not stop for us is that it saw a Bible in the hand of one of our brave men who had taken it from his pocket to read when he saw the devil's horse coming down the road. Let us be thankful."

Later on in the day they came to a piece of paper tacked on a tree. What could it be? It was not in the Bible. It could not be read. It must be a warning from the devil to the Reveloe twenty. Away ran all the men until they came to two black things running into the distance. Prof. Macey and Gen. Cass walked to the center and these things, but they had no end. As far as eye could reach they ran to a point and still more queer were huge trees all along these black things and a sort of cob-webs connecting each. One of the men climbed one of the men climbed one of the trees and touched the web. He jumped, or rather, fell down, reporting that the webs contained fire. No one could think of any.

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"If-I-but-knew-oo-oo-oo-oo—"

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"Welcome, Pretty Pancake Flower."

"If I might be allowed to criticize—"

"My mouth runneth over."

"Maybe if we'd stuck the whole greenhouse on us, we'd won, too."

"This is a bughouse."

"Tony, he told me everything you said."

"I shouldn't have got that new collar. That's why I lost."

"I told you that you put too much powder on your nose."

"Well, Mt. Vernon can treat you all right, anyhow."

"Ich habe kalt fusse."

"Poor Mr. Tubbs! Bet there's a funeral Monday."

"Well, they got Mr. Stables, but they'll never get Miss Mitch."

"That judge must have a wooden ear."

"Do it again, Miss Lee."

"By great Jupiter!!!!!"

"If I'd a known that I sat next to Pancake I'd a stuck a fork in him."

"Say, I ordered pork tenderloin, not postage stamps."

"Say, that girl in the blue skirt's cute."

"I wish Henry'd come home. I'm almost deaf."

"Oh, Miss Mitch, es ist hell in diesem zimmer."

"Say, is that judge 'man' or 'cloud'?"

"I found a bed—bug."

"Here's a funny story."

"Beulee, I can't sleep when you talk so much."

"This doughnut's all hole."

"I know why I got beat, I didn't do a folk dance on the platform."

"I sat next to the principal."

"Miss Lee! That slat!"

"I'm so sleepy."

"I want a ham sandwich and some eye scream."

Madge—My watch won't run.

Louis—Maybe you forgot to wind it.

IRIS SOCIETY GIVES EXPOSITION PROGRAM (Continued from page 1, column 3.)

duet which was enjoyed by the students. This program, like the one a week ago, was exceptionally good. The presidents of the two societies expect to maintain the same high standard for the rest of the year.

The program was as follows: "Effects of the War Upon the Collecting of Exhibits," by Lillie Adams; "Foreign Exhibits," by Marguerite Shanklin; "Description of Grounds and Buildings," by Bess Meisenheimer; "Comparison of Panama and Suez Canals," by Media Hankins; "San Diego Exposition," by Alice Foley; "Yosemite Valley," by Margaret Bundy; reading, by Hyacinth McNeil; "Later History of Canal," by Frederick Welton; "Early History of Canal," by Marie Thomas; "Sanitation in the Canal Zone," by William Bellamy; "Canal Fortifications," John Finch; piano duet by Ora Walraven and Gladys Goodman.

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Friday, April 23, "On the Stroke of

Twelve," in three parts, also two other reels. Admission 5c and 10c.

Saturday, April 24, "The Love of Wo-

men," in three parts, with Lillie Leslie

in a double role. 5c to all.

THE SPRING

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C. T. H. S. WINS FIRST PLACE IN INTELLECTUAL MEET AT CARLYLE

JAMES ARMSTRONG AND ANTONIA FISCHBACHA PLACE
SECOND, SCORING SIX POINTS.

C. T. H. S. re-established her former well-earned reputation for intellectual ability and at the same time partially retrieved herself from her recent defeat at the hands of Mt. Vernon, by winning the oratorical and extempore speaking contest of the fifth district by a one-point margin at Carlyle last Saturday night, James Armstrong winning second place with his oration, "Maritime Progress," and Antonia Fischbacha coming out second in extempore with a speech on the "Federal Trade Commission." Since second place in these events counts three points and first place five, and because Centralia was the only one of all the schools entered to place in both events, the meet goes to C. T. H. S. with a total of six points, Mt. Carmel and Cairo tying for second place with five points each. This victory, in view of the recent contest with Mt. Vernon, was a double one for our extempore speaker, inasmuch as both of the Mt. Vernon contestants who won from Centralia in the recent dual meet failed to place in the district contest.

Oratorical Reception

The first of the events to take place was the oratorical contest to which eight towns had sent representatives. Burnham Maylord of Cairo placed first in this event, the subject of his oration being "The Spirit of Washington." Mr. Maylord was an effective and interesting speaker and was accorded the decision by the judges mainly on account of his delivery.

Second place went to Centralia, whose representative, James Armstrong, delivered a splendid oration on "Maritime Progress." Although he did not place first, the decision was necessarily a very close one and C. T. H. S. may be justly proud of her orator.

Third place was awarded to Arthur A. Wiegand of Mt. Carmel, who had for his subject "Universal Democracy."

The other contestants were Lester Brewer of Collinsville, who gave "World Democracy"; Frank Trauborg of Murphysboro, who spoke on "Our Policy"; Silas Sneed of Mt. Vernon, who had chosen "The Voice of Humanity" as his subject; Irvin Foster of Harrisburg, with "The Trial of Na-

pooleon"; and Eugene Walter of Alton, who gave "A Plea for Peace."

Extempore Contest.

In the extempore Joseph Dromgoole of Mt. Carmel, was awarded the decision of the judges on his speech concerning "The Illiteracy Test." In this contest Centralia had two representatives, May Wallis and Antonia Fischbacha, Antonia gaining second place. In this contest both first and second speakers will be allowed to go to Champaign to take part in the State Oratorical and Extempore Contest, which will be held during Inter-scholastic.

The topics for this contest were chosen from three months' issues of the "Literary Digest," "The Outlook," and "The Independent," and were selected by officials at the State University and sent down to the district meet. The contestants drew 2 topics from which they were allowed a choice, and were then given an hour for preparation. They were not permitted to use notes or material of any sort during this hour of preparation.

May Wallis, Centralia's other representative, gave a very good speech on "The Usefulness of the Panama Canal."

Carleton Christian of Mt. Vernon spoke on the subject, "Is it in accordance with the wishes of the United States to remain neutral, to send arms and ammunition to the warring nations?"

There were thirteen contestants entered in this event, only nine, however, showing up in the final count. Contests of this sort are held under the auspices of the University of Illinois, Dr. B. H. Bode of that university conducting this one. While awaiting the decision of the judges, music was furnished by the pupils of the grade schools and by a very fine male quartette.

Back to the Dark Ages.

If the moon had a baby, would the sky rocket?

"All that I ask is lufe" (?)

Mt. Vernon.

Paddle your "Old Canoe"—Boys' Quartette.

(Please contribute to last one.)

ELABORATE RECEPTION GIVEN BY JUNIORS

"OWIN' TO MAGGIE" PLAYED BY
JUNIORS—DECORATIONS IN
CLASS COLORS.

The annual reception tendered by the Junior class to the Seniors and to the faculty last Friday evening at C. T. H. S. was a great success. No reception in the past has been more enjoyed.

There was no school Friday afternoon so that the Juniors might have a chance for preparation. From the looks of the halls the opportunity was well improved. The lower hall was changed into a beautiful reception room. It was decorated in the colors of the Senior class, blue and white, and with the products of the greenhouse.

After all the guests had arrived the Assembly Hall was thrown open for the play, "Owin' to Maggie." The cast was composed almost entirely of Juniors, the one exception being a little fellow of three or four, imported from an obliging parent for the occasion. Temple Fike as Maggie, Raymond Leonard as Mr. Bob, and Tom Reid, who astonished the audience by the remarkable predicaments into which he was drawn, kept the spectators in a happy frame of mind throughout.

After the play several selections were played on the Victrola, then the guests passed to the upper floor where the tables were prepared. The upper corridor was decorated in purple and white, the Junior's shaded lights in these colors presenting a very pretty appearance. The table was gay with violets which had been gathered by the Juniors in the morning.

The supper was elaborate and enjoyable. Miss Murray was so kind as to act as general supervisor over the Supper Committee, and the credit belongs to both for the most acceptable banquet. The serving was done by members of the class. Bob Webster, the head waiter, seemed as expert at serving as at basket ball.

The toasts which followed were greatly enjoyed, although those who gave them did not all seem to enjoy the task. Mr. Tubbs acted as toastmaster. The topics were given to those who were to give toasts only a short time before they were called on and the guests were warned by the toastmaster not to expect too much.

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ness Manager.

Dear Editor of the Sphinx:

Not knowing exactly to whom I
should write, I addressed this to the
above unknown individual, so please
pardon my ignorance and I'll do bet-
ter next time.

I have been wondering whether
there was going to be any sort of an
alumni gathering in June this year,
and if not, why not. It's been three
years from this coming June that such
a meeting was held, and I, for one,
would be in favor of another one next
June, at some time after all people get
home from the colleges. We might
have a reception, a dance, a dinner, a
picnic, or what not, but let's do have
something!

I'm going to get home some time
near the fifth of June, a bit early, and
I will be willing to do anything in my
power to make it a success. And I
firmly believe that there are many
others who will also give it their sup-
port. I haven't seen but one person
from C. T. H. S. for nearly nine
months, and I am just beginning to
feel that a person DOES miss those
old friends of high school days.

I hear from some of my old class-
mates, Reinert Egger seems to be
making a success of things at Mis-
souri University. Lorin Cope is
wrestling his way through Illinois.
Oh, I'm firmly convinced that the
class of 1912 is the most illustrious
ever produced by C. T. H. S.

I haven't much to say for myself.
I'm working hard chasing a degree in
1917 from Tech—or properly, the Mas-
sachusetts Institute of Technology,
and that keeps me from loafing.

I want to hear about an alumni

meeting in June.

Sincerely,
EDWIN M. WOODWARD.

This letter was received by the edi-
tor of the Sphinx. The purpose of this
letter is certainly one that should be
supported by every high school stu-
dent.

The colleges of this country all have
their annual home-coming, so why
should not the high school have some
such an event? The charge has been
made the high schools have been at-
tempting to copy the colleges. There
is nothing wrong in this, if only the
good customs, and those suitable to
high schools are adopted.

A reunion of the alumni should be-
come an annual affair. It would be of
great benefit to the school, and if all
the alumni of this school are in-
terested as the author of this letter,
it would be greatly enjoyed by them.

Tune: "It's a Long Way To Tipperary."

Into dear C. T. H. S. I walked one day
with pride,
And entered my High School days
wishing I could hide.

As my looks grew worn and tattered,
sure and I progressed,
Till finally at the end of spring, I
stood a Sophomore lass.

Chorus:

It's a long, long way to graduation,
It's a long way to go.

It's a long, long way to graduation,
And the way is hard I know.

Good-bye, jolly Freshman,

Farewell Sophomores fair.

It's a long, long way to graduation,
but my heart's right there.

When I was a Sophomore I studied
hard to learn

Just to be a Junior lass, for that my
heart did yearn;

And when I stood among the ranks I
stood with doubtful feet.

On the threshold next to Juniors that
all students there must meet.

When I came to be a Junior—Oh! how
glad was I

That I'd studied when a Sophomore in
dear old High.

And I thought when I became a Sen-
ior bold and gay,

Oh! what grand times we all had had
there almost every day.

—X. Y.

"AS I SEE YOU."

"For every smile you gave me, you
caused one thousand tears."—Georgia
Sligar.

"He's a Rag Picker."—Carl Keller
"I long to hear the old church choir
again."—Boys' Quartette.

"If I had someone like you at home."
Aurora.

"In the Palace of Dreams."—Ray-
mond Leonard.

"I've one idea about the girls." —
Robert Robertson.

"Just for tonight."—Faust and Flo-
rence.

"Rebecca of Sunny Brook Farm,"—
Rebecca Jones.

"Someone who loves you is lonely."
—Ora and Nelpha.

"Let by-gones be by-gones."—Mar-

guerite and Bess.

"The only heart broken was mine."

—Fae P.

"They all had a finger in the pie."—
Juniors (Reception).

"The high cost of loving."—Dwight
Geary.

"The eyes of the world."—Sphinx
Board.

"You're here and I'm here."—Percy
and Gladys.

"You're more than all the world to
me."—Sphinx.

"Daddy Long Legs."—Clyde Kern.

"When you play in the game of
love."—Jessie Beaver.

"When I dream of old Erin (Aaron)"
—Mildred Goad.

"An endless day."—Miss Mitchell.

"I'll do it all over again."—Temple
Fike.

"Take me back."—Antonia. (Mt. Ver-
non?)

"Let me call you honey(bunch)."—
Hyacinth.

Miss Murray: "When you make cid-
er the juice just tastes like plain ap-
ple juice, and then it turns to cider.
How does it taste then, Effie?"

Effie F.: "Ugh! sehr gut."

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ROSETTAS

The tennis courts are in fine shape now and the games have started.

The report cards were given out Monday.

Chief Watts paid a visit to the High School Friday.

An invitation has been received by the C. T. H. S. from Carlyle to attend the track meet to be held there May 15. Centralia will probably be represented.

An important meeting of the Inter-Society Committee was held Monday noon.

A meeting of the track team was held Monday and Percy Loomis elected captain.

RAVELOE'S EXPERIMENT TO THE UNKNOWN

thing to put in Gen. Cass' diary. So the brave twenty camped that night near these queer objects in the midst of the sinners. About midnight thunder was heard; louder and louder it became. All at once out of the blackness shot a huge, black, hissing thing, spitting fire as it went. This thing had a huge ball of fire in front of it and possessed a huge tail with fire all over it. Morn came at last to the frightened brave twenty from Reveleo. Gen. Cass and Prof. Macey put this in Gen. Cass' diary:

"In the night of June 22nd—17—We saw the devil's midnight carrier to the land of sinners. As it just came from hell it still had fire on its tail. It spit fire and smoke and had a great firey eye to see sinners. We are now in the land of the worst of sinners."

Near the ground where the monster had passed was a white thing full of black marks. It could not be read. It was not in the Bible. It must be the devil's daily call for sinners. The men thought it high time to move from the land of sinners. But the devil's daily call must be left behind. If not, Prof. Macey said it would tempt our younger generation. But as the brave twenty moved away Ben Winthorpe picked up that paper and put it in his pocket.

The brave twenty arrived home at last. How Nancy welcomed Godfrey bore! That night a huge feast was held at the Rainbow in honor of the land of sinners, and the devil's daily call. All at once Ben got a cramp from eating too much and Dr. Kimble rushed to his side. But he stopped short, for there, sticking from Ben's empty pocket, was the devil's daily call. In an instant the tavern was empty. After ten minutes, hearing no noise from inside, one of the brave twenty looked in the window. There was Ben behind the bar with a glass in his hand, enjoying life, while outside was almost panic. That paper must go. So it was staken at the end of a long pole and was to be dropped in the stone pits. But no! Aaron, Eppie and Silas wouldn't stand for such a thing near their door. Finally Ben, who had more courage with that paper than anything else, took it and put it in Cliff's barn. And to this day, Cliff's may be heard on Cliff's holiday rustling the devil's daily call.

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SQUIBLET

A conversation between a visitor and a student of promise, who conducts the visitor about the school.

"Is this the Assembly Hall? Are victims of Spring Fever assembled here to suffer?"

"No, this is a room where the students who can not get excused the seventh period are confined. There are very few of such sad cases."

"Do you dislike to stay in the Assembly Hall?"

"Not very much; you see, it makes no difference to me where I sleep."

"Do your teachers object to such drowsiness?"

"No, they are truly human."

"You must be one of the brightest boys in school. I can tell by your looks."

"Yes, I am. Even though I am modest I can not tell a lie."

"How very lovely. The teachers, I suppose, realize your brilliancy?"

"Yes, they should know it. I drop little hints now and then."

"This school should be quite pleased to have such a student."

"Why, the faculty can appreciate me but the students can not."

If Washington lived in Mt. Vernon, I'll bet a chocolate pie

That we'd have had it real easy, 'Cause Washington wouldn't lie.

First Extempore Speaker—Now you know, you were too stiff.

Second Extempore Speaker—Yes, I know, my joints are all connected, you see.

TRACK TEAM SELECTED.

The C. T. H. S. track team has been selected and is as follows: 100-yard dash, Davis, Loomis, Beaver; 220-yard dash, Davis, Beaver, Loomis; 440-yard dash, Loomis, Beaver, Maddox; 880-yard run, Root, Greer, Ferrine; mile run, Geary, Finch, Maddox; running broad jump, Root, Beaver; running high jump, Davis, Root, Loomis; running hop, step, jump, Davis, Root, Perrine; 12-pound hammer, Grissom, Beaver; 12-pound shot, Beaver, Ricks, Grissom; discus, Grissom, Ricks; pole vault, Kern, Grissom; relay race, Davis, Beaver, Loomis, Sherman, Root.

Percy Loomis is the captain and he is working hard to get the team into shape.

ELABORATE RECEPTION
GIVEN BY JUNIORS

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The toasts, however, needed no apology. The subjects were flowers and the things for which they stood, as "Panicles for Thoughts." The other subjects were: "Violets for Faithfulness," "Rosemary for Remembrance," and "Fennil for Flattery." Miss Mitchell was called on for a short toast of the truly extemporaneous kind, which most delighted the listeners. Those who gave toasts were: Mr. Guenther, Alice Foley, Marguerite Shanklin, Charles Kinnane and Percy Loomis.

The mothers who helped the Juniors as well as Gerald Kohl, who did the electrical work, deserve much credit for the success of the whole reception.

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Thursday, April 29, Leah Baird in "The Radium Thieves," three-reel Broadway star feature, also "Desperate Dud the Plumber."

Friday, April 30.—Charles Chaplin in "The Champion," 2000 feet of screaming comedy; also "In the Shadow of Death," in two parts, with Bessie Learn. Admission 5c and 10c.

Saturday, May 1.—"A Woman Went Forth," in two reels, with Ethel Clayton.

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CARLYLE TAKES TRACK MEET— MT. VERNON FIRST IN INTELLECTUAL

C. T. H. S. SECURES SECOND IN BOTH EVENTS AND
WINS BOTH RELAY AND QUARTET
CUPS.

TRACK MEET AT WHITE CITY.

The track meet which was held at the White City track was won by Carlyle with Centralia a close second. Mt. Vernon, who won the Intellectual meet placed third. The final score was—Carlyle 45, Centralia 23, Mt. Vernon 22, Sparta 15, Fairfield 13, Kimmundy 2, Mt. Carmel 1.

The winning team was a well balanced aggregation with no exceptional star, but a good man or two in almost every event. Gray, who won the 100-yard dash and the running broad jump, Kahlert, who had victories in the low hurdles and the quarter-mile run to his credit, and Schaeffer, who won the 880-yard run and the mile, starred for the victors.

For Centralia Davis was the star. His victory in the 220-yard dash and his second in the running broad jump and the 100-yard dash accounted for 11 of Centralia's points. Loomis, with a third in the 100-yard dash and a second in the quarter, gave a good account of himself. Had Loomis not been entered in so many events he would probably have won the quarter easily. Dwight Geary secured a second in the mile, and Greer a third in the half-mile. C. T. H. S. other points were made by Grissom in the discus hurl and hammer throw and Beaver in the shot-put.

The stars of the other teams were Miller of Sparta, who won the individual honors by making firsts in the running high jump, shot put and discus hurl. Overbee of Fairfield, who won the running hop, step, jump, and Sanford of Mt. Vernon, who won the hammer throw, also starred.

The final event, the relay race, was won by Centralia. C. T. H. S. has one of the best high school relay teams in the state, Davis, B. Root, Beaver and Loomis running four splendid laps. Davis secured a lead on the first and C. T. H. S. was never passed. Loomis crossed the line with yards to spare. Carlyle was second and Mt. Vernon third.

J. Thomas of Washington University acted as referee and W. McAndrews of Carbondale acted as assistant ref-

eree. H. Blue, G. Hails, C. L. Edwards, B. Leuchtenberger and E. T. Jackson acted as track judges.

The events, the schools that placed and the time, are as follows:

Event—	Time
100-yard dash.	
Carlyle, Gray.	10 seconds.
Centralia, Davis.	
Centralia, Loomis.	
220-yard Dash.	23 seconds.
Centralia, Davis.	
Carlyle, Gray.	
Carlyle, Kahlert.	
220-yard Low Hurdles.	27 2-5 seconds.
Carlyle, Kahlert.	
Mt. Vernon, Pulliam.	
Carlyle, McGaffigan.	
440-yard Dash.	56 seconds.
Carlyle, Kahlert.	
Centralia, Loomis.	
Mt. Carmel, Wirth.	
880-yard Run.	2 m. 11 sec.
Carlyle, Schaeffer.	
Fairfield, Evans.	
Centralia, Greer.	
1-mile Run.	5 m. 4 sec.
Carlyle, Schaeffer.	
Centralia, Geary.	
Mt. Vernon, Wood.	
Running Broad Jump.	20 ft. 9 in.
Carlyle, Gray.	
Centralia, Davis.	
Fairfield, Overbee.	
1/2-mile Relay Race.	1.39 1-5
Centralia.	
Carlyle.	
Mt. Vernon.	
Shot Jut.	43 ft.
Sparta, Miller.	
Carlyle, Hofsommer.	
Centralia, Beaver.	
Discus Hurl.	105 ft. 6 in.
Sparta, Miller.	
Centralia, Grissom.	
Kimmundy, Lowe.	
Hammer Throw.	118 ft. 6 in.
Mt. Vernon, Sanford.	
Mt. Vernon, Pigg.	
Carlyle, Kahlert.	
Pole Vault.	9 ft. 2 in.
Mt. Vernon, Martin.	
Carlyle, McGaffigan.	
Mt. Vernon, Pulliam.	
Running High Jump.	5 ft. 6 in.

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MAY POLE AND PLAY VERY SUCCESSFUL

MARY PARKINSON WAS CROWNED
QUEEN—DANCE OF THE MONTHS
—ENGAGED BY WEDNESDAY
PLAYED.

Friday afternoon on the east campus of C. T. H. S. occurred the May Pole festivities, by far the most elaborate and beautiful ever held here. To Miss Mitchell, equally, is the credit of training the dancers and the idea of the celebration due, although almost everyone in school had a share in the work.

The first event was the grand march about the May Pole, led by the 1913 and 1914 queens, Blanche Bales and Pearl Smith. Next followed the dance of the girls who represented March. Their costumes were very pretty, the front half of their dresses being yellow, decorated with black suns, and the back half grey, decorated with pussy willows. The girls carried broken umbrellas.

The next dance was that of April. The girls in their yellow dresses made a very pretty appearance as they danced to airy April music.

A feature of the program was the next event, the dance of Spring, represented by the Maid of Honor, Marjorie Brennan, and the Snow Balls, little girls dressed in white, in which after a graceful dance to the music of Mendelssohn's Spring Song, Spring broke down the snow fort and the Snow Balls joined her in the dance.

The queen, Mary Parkinson, and her four attendants, were then brought in in a car almost hidden by May blossoms, and the queen's and attendants' dance was given, after which the queen was crowned by the ex-queens and helped into her beautiful May basket throne.

All dancers then joined in the How-do-you-do, which was followed by the dance of the May Flowers. Veneta Johnson then came out of her cocoon and led the butterflies in a beautiful, classical dance, which won unanimous praise.

The June Roses concluded the individual dances, and the grand May Pole ended in a shower of rose petals on the dancers.

Oral English Play.

Friday night before a large crowd, the Underclassmen play, "Enraged by Wednesday," given by the Oral English (Continued on page 2, col. 3.)

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ADVERTISING RATES

Quoted upon application to the Business Manager.

The Track and Intellectual meets held here were won by other towns, but Centralia has the consolation that she secured second in each. Surely no one would say that the meets were not successful. The proper thing for the students of this school to do now is to show their appreciation and gratitude to those who helped make it a success.

The meet cup was given by the College Inn, the relay cup was given by Bostwick and the Individual cup by the Gem. These people also advertise in the "Sphinx," and were it not for the support of such interested business men not many of the high school enterprises could be continued.

Such support makes these events of various kinds possible, and makes this publication possible. Patronize these men and all who support the "Sphinx."

The Intellectual supremacy of Southern Illinois is at stake in the next meet at Carbondale, Friday. If Mt. Vernon wins this meet it can with justice claim to be the Intellectual victor in Southern Illinois, for the past few meets have left an overwhelming balance in her favor. The only reverse suffered by our rival was the Carlyle contest.

C. T. H. S. is envious and she must regain the prestige which has been lost, before being satisfied. The mistake of this school is that very little preparation is made for these meets in advance.

Perhaps it would be a good plan to have an intellectual team selected some time in January next year. Then this team could train as a basket ball

or track team would. This would probably produce good results. Substitutions could be made if any member of the team could be improved upon and in this way no one who deserved a place would be excluded.

The college debating teams have their coaches and their practice, and since this produces good results, it might be well for C. T. H. S. to try this plan.

CARLYLE TAKES TRACK MEET—MT. VERNON WINS INTELLECTUAL

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Sparta, Miller.
Mt. Vernon, Martin.
Fairfield, Simms.
Running Long Jump. 43 ft. 3 in.
Fairfield, Overbee.
Fairfield, Evans.
Kinnmundy, Wilkinson.

INTELLECTUAL CONTEST.

The preliminaries of the Intellectual contest were held at the high school Saturday morning at 9 o'clock. Here the contestants who were to take part in the finals were selected. Mt. Vernon lived up to her reputation and placed in all six events. Centralia placed in three, Ashley in two and Kinnmundy placed in one event.

The finals were held in the Baptist church at 8 o'clock Saturday night. A good sized crowd witnessed the events. The contest was close in almost every number, the audience being kept in suspense throughout. The contest was made as short as possible, all unnecessary details being eliminated. The final score was: Mt. Vernon 24, Centralia 13, Ashley 8, and Kinnmundy 3.

The first event was the girl's solo. Neone Hobbs of Mt. Vernon and Mary Gramley of Kinnmundy were the two contestants. Mt. Vernon registered her first victory in this event.

The second event was the girl's recitation. Centralia was represented in this event by Madge Tucker, while Lucile Loyd represented Mt. Vernon. Madge, who spoke against the same opponent in the recent Centralia-Mt. Vernon contest, was defeated. The decision was unexepcted by most of the audience.

The next event was the boy's solo. Mt. Vernon and Ashley being the two contestants. Gilbert Cameron of Ashley was the victor in this event, while Leland Rubottom secured second place.

The fourth event was the boy's declamation. In this event Centralia secured first place. Leon Sherman won over Carleton Christian of Mt. Vernon, both having most creditable declamations. Leon has a voice which is rarely equaled for declaiming and many favorable comments were made on "the boy with the wonderful voice."

The fifth event was the girls' quartette, and here again Centralia was victorious. The girls' quartette of Mt. Vernon did well, but it was clearly outclassed by the C. T. H. S. four. The cup they won for the school will look well in the Assembly Hall.

The last event was the boys' quartette. Mt. Vernon with a high-class quartette won this event, while Ashley secured second place. Mt. Vernon may well be proud of her four, for

their selection, "Good-Night," was perhaps the most enjoyable number of the entire program.

After the contest was concluded the medals and cups won in the track meet were presented to the winners. The meet cup went to Carlyle. McGaffigan, who came forward to receive the cup, made the onlookers hold their breath by the reckless way in which he handled it. McGaffigan is small, and the cup was large. Percy Loomis took the relay cup in charge, which was won by C. T. H. S. F. Miller of Sparta received the individual cup.

After the decision of the judges, the Intellectual medals were given. C. T. H. S. Quartette, Beutlah Davis, Mazie Sullivan, Bess Johnson and Antonia Fischbacha were presented with the cup which they won, and the other victors received their spoils.

Mr. Tubbs closed the evening with a prediction of the victory which C. T. H. S. is going to win in the coming Carbondale meet.

MAY POLE AND PLAY VERY SUCCESSFUL

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class, proved an immense success. The plot in itself was interesting, unique and clever, and the character parts, especially scored a tremendous hit with the audience, which was kept in an almost continuous roar of laughter.

The leads were taken by Alden Perrine as Arthur Watson, and Vivian Myers as Lucile Persons, both of whom deserve a great deal of credit for a very good performance.

Edith Robertson, as Lucile's old-maid aunt, made a decided hit and Martin Henry, the general gardener and keeper of chickens, found himself exactly portrayed by Leon Sherman, who brought down the house every time he appeared.

The other characters were: Lucile's friends from college, Mable, Jessie Beaver; Marie, Fae Pittenger-Brown; Jane, Katherine Miller; Arthur's college friends, Jack, Tom Reid; Ted, Robert Robertson; Joe, Merritt MacDowell; Mary, the maid, Antonia Fischbacha; Arthur's mother, May Wallis; gypsies, Sula Brown and Ora Walraven.

To all members of the cast is a great deal of credit due and to Miss Mitchell, who coached the play, is more due than C. T. H. S. ever can repay. Altogether, Friday was a great success, financially as well as in other ways.

Certainly.

Soph (during Geometry test)—We have to compute the approximate value of pie (π) in one question.

Junior—In Geometry! Why, I thought that's what they did in Household Science.

Lawrence (translating in German)—He could hear the grass and wool growing on the sheep!

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Mr. Stables was in town for the track meet.

Lucille Loyd of Mt. Vernon was a high school visitor Friday.

GRANDMOTHER'S STORY.

Deep in the heart of Scotland the lordly, snow-capped mountains stood like sentinels guarding a lonely little thatched-roofed cottage, in which there lived a family by the name of Stuart. This family boasted that although they were poor, they were descendants of one of the renowned chieftains of the Stuart clan.

At night, after the work was done, this family would all gather 'round the big fire-place, and tell stories, while the father and sons would relate what news or gossip they might have heard through the day at their work. It was then that the younger children loved to sit on stools in front of their grandmother's big arm chair, and the older ones to sit on the arms of her chair to hear "Granny" tell stories.

On such a night, as the family gathered 'round the fire-place in the tiny living room, the children clamored for a story about giants, fairies, princes and beautiful princesses.

"Well," said grandmother, "how would you like to hear about the giant that lived in the cave in Uam-Var?"

"Fine," cried the children, "do tell us about him."

Granny smiled and began. "Once upon a time, long, long ago, when fairies and witches lived in Scotland, there lived a king who had a very beautiful daughter. He was very fond of his daughter and when she was of age he declared that no one could marry his daughter unless he had done some wonderful deed and also had a great deal of money.

"Of course many suitors came, and to each was given a task which was thought impossible. This task was to kill the great giant, the king's only enemy, who lived in the cave of Uam-Var. Each one tried and failed until one day there came a handsome knight who immediately met favor in the eyes of the princess, but who was very poor.

"The king gave him also this task of killing the giant. He said, 'I can do that easily, for the fairies will help me.' So he went to the fairy queen and told her of the task he was bidden to do, and asked her aid.

"She gave him a magic sword which would unseath itself in time of danger and bade him to drink of the waters of the wonderful St. Fillan's Spring, which were said to preserve life.

"This the knight did, and when he met the giant the trusty sword flew out of its sheath, straight at the head of the giant. He was killed immediately and the knight took the great head back to the king to show that he had killed the giant.

"The king was very much surprised and pleased, and he readily gave this heroic knight his daughter's hand in marriage. And I guess—they lived happily—ever—after," and Granny dozed off into a peaceful slumber.

The children crept softly up and kissed her, and then went silently to bed, wishing that fairies were living now.

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WEEKLY ADVICE.

How to Participate in Intellectual Meets.

The first thing to do when preparing to participate in intellectual meets is to go around with a worried expression. Tell all your friends how much you will be defeated and they will pat you on the back and exalt your talents. You will hear a great deal about your smartness to your face and a lot more about your ignorance behind your back. Do not worry over these remarks. Remember that "to be great is to be misunderstood." About a week before you try out, sit up every night until two o'clock and worry your opponent until he or she does the same thing. When you have him or her fully frightened, stop reading and rest. Go to school without any lessons. Don't bother about eating or sleeping. Anybody can get along without these things very easily. And when you try out, just look wise and the judges will give you sixth place.

How Old Is Mr. Trout?

Mr. Trout (in Ancient History) — Why, I remember in the year 1000 that most of the people thought the world was coming to an end!

Mr. Patrick—What is the most important industries in Ohio?

Joe—It is a good farming state besides having a great deal of agriculture.

CONTESTANTS SELECTED.

The contestants who are to represent the school at the big Intellectual Meet at Carbondale were selected Thursday. The trophy can hardly be kept away from C. T. H. S. with such a strong team.

The team will be composed of James Armstrong, declamation; Harry Davis, vocal solo (boy's); Mazie Sullivan, vocal solo (girl's); Madge Tucker, reading; Antonia Fischbacha, Bess Johnson, Mazie Sullivan and Beulah Davis, girls' quartette.

Balzac's Hatred of Tobacco.

Perhaps no celebrated author was more hostile toward tobacco than Balzac. It is true that Lamartine speaks of the novelist's teeth as blackened by cigar smoke, but Lamartine was not intimate with Balzac. Gautier on the other hand knew him well and wrote eloquently about his hatred of tobacco. Balzac's ruling passion was coffee, which injured him and perhaps killed him. In some of his novels he anathematizes tobacco. When he allows some of his characters to smoke there is veiled contempt "As for De Marsay, he was busied in smoking his cigars."

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Thursday, May 6—"The First Commandment," three reels, with Tom Moore and Marguerite Courtot. Also "The Millionaire's \$100 Bill," two reels, with Leah Baird. Admission 5c and 10c.

Friday, May 7—"Shadow's of the Past," three parts, with Anita Stewart. Also "A Theft in the Dark," in three reels, with Marc MacDermott and Miriam Nesbitt. Admission 5c and 10c.

Saturday, May 8—"A Siren of Corsica," three reels, with Lillie Leslie. 5c to all.

THE SPRING

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HARRISBURG TAKES TRACK MEET; EAST ST. LOUIS WINS INTELLECTUAL

C. T. H. S. IS SECOND IN THE INTELLECTUAL AND SIXTH IN TRACK MEET AT CARBONDALE--IS SECOND IN THE RELAY RACE.

The Track Meet held at Carbondale was one of the best ever held in the state considering every event. Some of the records made were remarkable. Harrisburg won the meet with 47 points, Carlyle 16, Marion 12, Eldorado 11, Sparta 11, Centralia 6, East St. Louis 5, and Duquoin 5.

Although Centralia did not win many places in the different events, the team did well. Each race and field event was exciting and the relay race proved no exception to the rule. Loomis, who ran the last lap for Centralia, started with a handicap of about twelve yards, but he gained steadily until only two yards separated him from the first man. Cairo won this race, Centralia was second and Harrisburg third. Four other teams finished but were out of the race before the last lap.

Several new records were made. Cuthbertson broke the 440-yard dash record when he ran it in :51 1-5 seconds. Percy Loomis ran a good race, being only a short distance behind at the finish. This was probably the best race of the day. Davis of the C. T. H. S. team broke the 220-yard dash record and made the new record :23 3-5 seconds. This victory with the third Loomis made in the quarter was all C. T. H. S. could do. The half-mile record was also broken, as the time was 2:07 2-5 seconds. Of the field records, two were broken. The running long jump was raised to 44 feet 7 1/4 inches, and the running broad to 21 feet 6 inches.

T. Dorris of Harrisburg gave a fine exhibition of athletic ability when he secured five firsts and two seconds. His first in the 100-yard dash was lucky, but even with this taken into consideration his performance is one of the most remarkable ever seen on the Carbondale field.

Miller, who won the individual cup here last week, made 11 points by getting two firsts, one in the running high jump and one in the shot put, and a third in the discus hurl. Stinson of Eldorado made 11 points also.

Schaeffer of Carlyle won the cross country run. Schaeffer failed to place in the mile or half, as he was expected to do.

Those on Centralia's team who did well but did not place were Byron Root and Clifford Greer, who secured fourth and fifth places in the half mile, and Geary, who led in the mile almost the entire distance.

The events and the time made are as follows:

	Time
Half Mile	2:07 2-5
White, East St. Louis.	
Hardy, Marissa.	
Miller, Marion.	
100-yard Dash	:10 4-5
T. Dorris, Harrisburg.	
Gary, Carlyle.	
Hess, Vienna.	
440-yard Dash	:51 1-5
Cuthbertson, Harrisburg.	
Hess, Vienna.	
Loomis, Centralia.	
Cross Country	17:05 3-5
Schaeffer, Carlyle.	
G. Dorris, Harrisburg.	
Kruger, Carlyle.	
220 Low Hurdles	:27 2-5
T. Dorris, Harrisburg.	
Cuthbertson, Harrisburg.	
Gibbons, Harrisburg.	
1 Mile Run	5:05 1-5
Miller, Marion.	
Stuart, Harrisburg.	
Hardy, Marissa.	
220-yard Dash	:23 3-5
Davis, Centralia.	
Grav, Carlyle.	
Cuthbertson, Harrisburg.	
1 Mile Relay	3:33 4-5
Cairo.	
Centralia.	
Harrisburg.	

Event	Distance
Hammer Throw	126 ft. 3 in.
Stinson, Eldorado.	
Sanford, Mt. Vernon.	
T. Dorris, Harrisburg.	
Standing Broad	9 ft. 11 in.
T. Dorris, Harrisburg.	
Hofsummer, Carlyle.	
Shawmeyer, Vienna.	
Discus Hurl	108 ft. 5 in.
Moake, Marion.	
T. Dorris, Harrisburg.	
Miller, Sparta.	
Running Broad	21 ft. 6 in.

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PLANS FOR "HOME-COMING" BEING MADE

THE "ANNUAL HOMECOMING FOR ALUMNI" HAS ENTHUSIASTIC SUPPORTERS.

So much interest is being shown by C. T. H. S. Alumni toward an "Annual Homecoming" for graduates of the high school that members of the school are waking up to its importance. Among the Seniors, especially, has there been much talk concerning plans for this C. T. H. S. reunion. And it is not improbable that some of them may materialize. It has been deemed advisable to print another of the enthusiastic letters of a member of that same loyal class of 1912, Reinhardt Egger, who is now business manager of "The Missouri Outlook," the students' magazine of the Missouri University. The letter follows:

My Dear Miss Editor:

As I passed the bulletin boards today and saw the announcements of the final exams beginning less than one month from now, I was suddenly awakened to the fact that my first year as a student at "Old Missou" is almost ended. And with this fact well established, my thoughts began to wander back to the old haunts.

One of the first things, of course, that came to my mind was the return home and the re-meeting of "the kids at home." Naturally the hope of meeting my classmates of '12 took a leading place among these thoughts. And this brings me to the real question that is on my mind.

What are the students of C. T. H. S. and the alumni at home doing towards a homecoming banquet this year? In the past only the alumni have taken any interest in starting a homecoming affair—and I will frankly confess that they have put forth far from their best efforts in that direction. It is because I know the students, and especially the Seniors, at C. T. H. S. would take considerable interest in a homecoming event that I include them in my question.

The alumni of old C. T. H. S. are getting pretty well scattered over the country, and many of the old timers will not return directly to Centralia after school is out. If they knew that a homecoming stunt was in the air, you could count on a good many more biting the burg for that day at least, though. I would like to name a few

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The great meet at Champaign will
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tual contest.

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afford the expense connected with the
trip, should take it, for it would be
very instructive and pleasant. This
is a big week at the University, for
many of the most important events of
the year are crowded in a very short
space of time.

This year there will be a dual track
meet between Wisconsin and Illinois;
also a ball game. The well-known
circus will also take place.

But most important of all to the
students of the high schools is the
high school meet. Some of the best
high school athletes in the United
States will take part. Sol Butler of
Rock Island, who won the Northwest-
ern meet unaided, will take part, as
well as Smart and Fey of La Grange.
Cuthbertson and Davis from the south-
ern part of the state should show up
well, if they live up to their reputa-
tions.

No student who attends this meet
will regret the time and money spent.

Madge (looking at a honeysuckle
screen in Perrine's yard): They built
this screen to hide unsightly objects.

Ruby: Yes, Alden and James are
on the other side!

Girls' Quartette (in Carbondale):
Our subject is "Welcome, Pretty Prim-
rose Flower." We thank you.

Boys' Quartette: "Good Night."

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Stinson, Eldorado.
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Shot Put 41 ft. 2 in.
Miller, Sparta.
Williamson, Cairo.
Collom, Marissa.
Running Hop Step Jump 44 ft. 7 1/2 in.
T. Dorris, Harrisburg.
Evans, Fairfield.
Overbee, Fairfield.
Running High Jump 5 ft. 7 in.
Miller, Sparta.
Stinson, Eldorado.
Martin, Mt. Vernon.
Sullivan, Marion.
Pole Vault 10 ft. 1 in.
Farmer, Duquoin.
Roerstron, Mt. Carmel.
Hill, Benton.
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Tony (also studying): Don't know.
Harry Thaw, I think.

Miss Mitchell: In the sentence, "I
have a book," I am in the nominative
case. Now, what case is book in?
Hyacinth: Bookcase.

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ROSETTAS

A meeting of the track team was held Thursday.

Many C. T. H. S. students attended the Carbondale meet besides those who took part. Some of those who made the trip are: Lawrence Heyduck, May Wallis, Marguerite Shanklin, Augusta Fike, Florence Saxer and Tempie Fike.

The High School chorus sang at the Methodist church Tuesday afternoon, under the direction of Miss Lee.

Leon Sherman was absent Thursday. The Oral English class has begun pantomimes, and will continue to give them at the rate of one a week.

Miss Mitchell and Miss Lee were absent on account of Carbondale meet Friday.

The Literary Society program was postponed a week.

An important meeting of the Senior class was held Wednesday. All who expected to graduate were supposed to be there.

The failures for the second report period were announced Thursday. In the Delphic Society 48 failed in one or more subjects, while 56 failed in the Iris. Among the Juniors 25 failed, or 45 per cent. This is a very poor showing for that class. Of the Sophomores 25 failed, or 30 per cent. The Freshmen were divided into two classes, the second semester Freshmen and the Freshmen proper. Of the former, 13 failed, or 29 per cent, of the latter, 46, or 47 per cent.

The music examinations for music teachers were held at the High School Wednesday and Thursday. Some former C. T. H. S. students took the examination.

PLANS FOR "HOME COMING" BEING MADE.

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of the class of '12—but what is the use? You can count on them all.

As I have put in a hard day lining up advertising for our May issue—with an extempore debate at our weekly society meeting as dessert—I will stop punching the keys here. But let me say it once more. I am expecting to receive an invitation to the "Annual Homecoming of C. T. H. S. Alumni" within the next week or so—and if this is necessary to start the fire, put me down for my part of the expenses. I want to be there.

Sincerely yours,
REINHARDT EGGER.

Tom: Would you like to take a nice long walk?

Girl: Why, yes, I'd love to.

Tom: Don't let me detain you!

Mr. Patrick: What useful article do we get from whales?

Tom: Whalebone.

Mr. Patrick: Right. What do we get from seals?

Tom: Sealing wax.

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Mr. Trout (in Am. History): Mr. Cleveland was shot in the railroad station. His murderer was hung. Then Mr. Arthur took his place.

True Art of Life.

The art of life is to be kind, to endeavor to look at everything from the point of view of the other fellow, to be more eager to give than to receive, to love one's neighbor, and to be the protector of the weak and helpless, whether they be little children or the flowers that grow by the wayside.—Sidney Dare.

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with Bessie Barriscale in the leading

role.

LYRIC THEATRE

Thursday, May 13—"Lifting the Ban

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Friday, May 14—"Ambushed," in

three reels, with Francis X. Bushman.

Also "The Boston Tea Party," in two

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Saturday, May 15—"A Tragedy of

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WALTER STORER IS THE VALEDICTORIAN

SENIOR CLASS AVERAGES GIVEN
OUT BY THE PRINCIPAL.

The honor which falls to but one student each year, that of being valedictorian, falls to Walter Storer. Madge Tucker had the next highest average for the four years of work and hence is salutatorian. Both the valedictorian and the salutatorian are members of the Delphic Literary Society. Last year also, the valedictorian was a member of this society.

The class of 1915 as a whole has made very high averages.

The highest averages and those who made them are: Walter Storer, 93.73; Madge Tucker, 91.87; Antonia Fischbacha, 90.56; Media Hankins, 90.01; Mary Parkinson, 89.26; Florence Gott, 89.12; Jean Fyke, 88.11; Elva Krutsinger, 87.78; Emma Wilson, 86.25; James Armstrong, 86.23; Pansy Simons, 86.18 and Lulu Sellers, 85.62.

The above averages include only those who attended C. T. H. S. the full four years. Those who made high averages but were here only a year or two are: Francis Rogier, 94.5; William Bellamy, 91.5; and Alice Foley, 87.4.

The class which will graduate includes the following:

Girls—Beulah Baillie, Jessie Beaver, Marjorie Brenneman, Goldie Bryant, Freda Dardis, Augusta Fike, Antonia Fischbacha, Blanch Fogerson, Jean Fyke, Florence Gott, Media Hankins, Beulah Hartley, Lois Hileman, Katherine Kell, Elva Krutsinger, Mary Parkinson, Florence Saxer, Lulu Sellers, Pansy Simons, Ruby Smith, Mazie Sullivan, Madge Tucker, Daphna Watts, Emma Wilson, Onelia Wilson, Alice Foley, Mary Belle Baker; boys—James Armstrong, Louis Beaver, William Bellamy, Harry Davis, Harry Hanseman, Lawrence Heyduck, Percy Loomis, Francis Rogier, Byron Root, Leon Sherman, Harold Skillman and Walter Storer.

How Convenient.

Nina Ray, what is the name of your horse?

Ray: Closer. Get up, Closer!

ORATORICAL CONTEST IS A SUCCESS

ANTONIA FISCHBACHA REPRESENTS CENTRALIA IN MEET AT CHAMPAIGN.

During Interscholastic week at Champaign, Friday, May 14, occurred the Interscholastic Oratorical and Extempore Speaking Contest. This was the nineteenth of these annual contests which take place in the five districts into which this state is divided.

Centralia was represented in the extempore by Antonia Fischbacha, who placed second in the district meet held at Carlyle several weeks ago.

There were just five entries in this event which was won by Aileen Craspo of Kankakee, with the oration, "Women of the War." Miss Craspo is an effective and interesting speaker, whose pleasing personality and graceful platform appearance made her an easy winner. Second place in this event went to Milton Hult, of Rockford, who gave, "Victories," in a most creditable manner. Byrl Jorgensen of Englewood placed third, speaking on "The Man of the Crisis." She took President Wilson as her example.

Burnham Maylord of Cairo spoke on "The Spirit of Washington," and Louis McKelvey of Alexis on "Modern Imperialism."

In the extempore contest, among the ten entries, Ruth Lieber of New Trier, came out first, having as her subject, "Shall We Increase Our Army and Navy?" Ruth Brewer of Galesburg, obtained second place, and Merle Noble of Champaign was the next highest in rank. Antonia Fischbacha of Centralia, gave a most interesting speech on "The Ship Purchase Bill." Other speakers were Frances Rosencrance of Rockford, Radah Telford of Galesburg, Joseph Dromgoole of Alton, Robert Adams of Decatur, Mildred Welsh of Deerfield Shields and John Foster of Elgin.

In the extempore contest as before, the contestants were given two topics from which they were to make a choice. They were then given one hour for preparation, that is the outlining of the material which they remembered from their previous read-

DELPHIC SOCIETY GIVES FINAL PROGRAM OF YEAR

DEBATE, READINGS AND SOLOS
FEATURE FOURTH SECTION
PROGRAM.

The fourth division of the Delphic Literary Society gave the regular program Friday morning, May 14. This program had no special subject as some in the past have had. This is probably the last program that will be given by the Delphic Society as from now on the Seniors and to a lesser extent, all high school students will be very busy preparing for examinations and graduation.

The first number on the program was a reading by Helen Stevens, which was enjoyed by the audience. The next number was a piano solo by Lois Hileman. Daisy Carter gave a reading.

The debate was on the all important subject of the United States and its unpreparedness for war. Perhaps the war in Europe lent added importance to the subject. The affirmative, which was given the decision, was upheld by Alden Perrine and Francis Rogier, while Pansy Simons and Halie Root supported the negative. The judges were Lawrence Heyduck, May Wallis and Miss Ribbel. Robert Robertson acted as time keeper.

The final number was a piano solo by Mazie Sullivan after which the meeting was adjourned.

Mr. P.—Esther, what do the people of Switzerland get from cattle?

Esther (with sudden brilliancy) — Why, wool, of course.

Diplomacy.

First Student (looking at his friend's letter): That isn't the way to spell "jug." You've spelled it "gug."

Second Student: That's all right. I need some money and that's the way dad spells it. That letter's to him.

Some "Outlook."

Visitor (looking into hall where extempore speakers are studying): Is this a new annex?

Teacher: Yes, we call it the insane asylum.

ing, Professor Baldwin of the State University, who conducted this contest, stated that it was one of the best in this line of work which he had ever heard.

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EDITORIAL

C. T. H. S. has not been overwhelmingly victorious in the contests both athletic and intellectual, which have been held this year. The fault was not that there was no material out of which winning teams could be constructed but that this material could not be worked into shape on such short notice.

Mr. Tubbs in a talk before the Assembly last week made a suggestion which should be followed out by every high school student. The suggestion was that each person who expects to take part in any line of endeavor prepare for it now. Those who expect to play basket ball would be benefited by a little summer practice. Several of those who made the team last year practiced in the summer and thus were in good condition when school started. The same policy might well be followed by those who expect to take part in the track and intellectual meets, which will be held next year.

If preparation for the events is made in advance, C. T. H. S. should win many victories next year in basket ball, track and intellectual meets.

During Examination.

First English III Student—Here's a man named Emerson on our test paper. Who was he?

Second English III Student—I've forgotten nearly everything, but I know he invented an open stove. Who was Lowell?

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ROSETTAS

The Seniors have handed in their names as they wish them to appear on their diplomas.

Mr. Tubbs returned from Chicago Wednesday.

A change has been made in the requirements for graduation. Beginning with the class of 1917, one extra unit will be required. This extra unit, making 17 in all, may be made in Sphinx work, Physical Training, Glee Club, or for Literary Society work. The requirement of 16 academic units will remain unchanged.

James Armstrong, Sayburt Loomis and Madge Tucker attended the Campaign meet.

A large number of C. T. H. S. students went to Carlyle Saturday to see the meet which was held there. Miss Mitchell and Miss Riebel also saw the meet.

CARLYLE MEET

The Carlyle meet which was held Saturday was won by Carlyle with 76 points; Fairfield, 34; Mt. Vernon, 17; Marissa, 13; Centralia, 2; and Herrin, 1. Several other teams took part but did not place.

The time in most of the events was fast, especially when the track is considered. The track is only a sixth of a mile and not in the best of condition.

After the first event there was little doubt as to the outcome of the meet as Carlyle secured all three places in the hurdles. Fairfield took all three places in the running long jump and first and second in the standing broad. Hardy of Marissa who did well at Carbondale won both the half mile and the mile. Schaeffer was outclassed.

The pole vaulting was good. Kern, of Centralia, did well, getting fourth place, by clearing the bar at 9 feet, 2 inches. Kern also placed fourth in the hurdles.

Geary of Centralia secured fourth in the mile and Perrine fourth in the quarter. The decision in the mile was very close. Geary losing third by a few inches.

The relay race was won by Carlyle. C. T. H. S. made its only points in this race, beating the Mt. Vernon team by a few yards.

The medals and cups were awarded after the meet. Carlyle added the cups to its already large collection. Gray was the individual point winner, securing 21 points.

The meet as a whole was a great success and will probably be repeated next year. If C. T. H. S. sends a full team the chances for victory will be bright.

BEFORE—

Girl and boy,
Love and joy.

AFTER—

Man and wife,
War and strife.

(Anyone wishing to see the point consult the Joke Editor.)

WATCH FOR BIG SENIOR NUMBER!

The culmination of this year's efforts in regard to a high school paper will take place in the final number of The Sphinx, which will be devoted to the Senior class. This last number will be about forty or fifty pages in size, will have an attractive cover and will, in a way, be a sort of summary of the year's work. A grand finale, in fact. It will contain pictures of the faculty, the Seniors, and some of the various school organizations, such as the two literary societies, The Sphinx staff, and managing board, the basket ball and track teams and many other things of high school interest and fame.

Several surprises which have been prepared by members of the class and the staff of the paper in the way of clever and amusing articles concerning things of interest to certain of the students in particular, will be features of this number. Usual things written in an unusual and effective form will serve to lend an added interest to the final one of the special editions of The Sphinx. For a peep into the future, for a study of the past, and for a change of fortune, consult the commencement edition of The Sphinx. For pictures of the faculty and Senior friends whom you wish to remember, obtain a copy of the Senior Number. Watch for the big last edition of The Sphinx, only 25c.

A SENIOR'S DREAM.

My Freshman year floats idly by me.

Unmindful of great things to be,
Bold Sophomores' taunts do sadly try me,

I learn "Centralia Loyalty."

My Sophomore days bring in their flurry

Of Caesar and of English II;

I sigh and groan, but "I should worry,"
This mournful task will soon be through.

A Junior's work is full of pleasure,

Enlivened by reception times

And jokes and toasts are without measure.

Who says we're broke? We've lots of dimes.

As Senior year draws to its closing

Each Senior's work brings on regret,
For friend and school alike we're losing,

But each of whom we can't forget.

'Tis not the time to think of sorrow,

Of wasted hours or useless day;

We push on to some glad tomorrow,

But not forget our school away.

Grandpa—Didn't Grandma tell you not to slide down the bannisters?

Little Girl—No, she said, "I wouldn't slide down the bannisters if I were you." I don't think it would be nice for her to do you?

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ALUMNI NOTES

Mrs. Esther Kaufman '02 of Salem visited Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Hoffman.

Clem and Glen Dooten '13 came home from the State University for a few days last week.

Miss Irma McGuire, '10 spent last week in Chicago with her sister, Mrs. Theresa Bean '09.

Miss Eloise Parkinson, '12 is at home after an extended stay in St. Louis.

Miss Lela Baldrige, '14 visited in Sandoval Saturday.

Miss Paula Patier, '9, of Cairo, attended the I. M. T. A. and visited her brother, Joseph Heffer, '90.

Evelyn Westbrook, '12 was in Ashley Wednesday.

Mrs. Pearl Stockman of Carbondale attended the Musical Convention here. C. D. Tufts, '83 returned Wednesday from Chicago where he has remained several weeks.

Josie Leonard, '11, Helen Welton, '13, Ralph Pixley, '14, Ruth Rickards, '14, and Mabel Murfin, '14, took the I. M. T. A. examinations in Theory and History of Music. Miss Murfin also took the examination in violin and Miss Welton in public school music. All are pupils of the Centralia Conservatory.

Anna Cleo Johnson, '07, aged 27 years, died Tuesday, May 4th at her home in this city. She was a teacher in the public schools of Centralia for several years previous to the long illness which ended in her death.

Valuable Oak Carvings.

In the vaults of St. Paul's cathedral, in London is stored away a rich store of priceless oak carving, part of which was originally in the cathedral, and part removed from city churches when demolished. A selection of these relics, consisting mostly of woodwork placed in the cathedral in the time of Sir Christopher Wren, has just been lent to the Geffrye museum of the L. C. C. Of special interest are a prayer desk, an overdoor, stall brackets, trusses, and an oak capital, all beautifully carved, together with specimens of Tijou's ironwork.

Largest Diamond.

The largest diamond in the world is the Cullinan, which weighs 3,025 carats. Other large diamonds are: The Tiffany, 969 carats; the Great Mogul, 279, and the Regent, 136

Generally an Easy Matter.

Even if we have had no love for the distant deceased relative we can often put up a strenuous fight to get a bit of his property.

(Im)pertinent.

Strawber (to Singerley)—That certainly is a beautiful car, old fellow. Does it go?—Life

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Fresh Roasted One?

Harry—I never come in here but I get roasted.

Anna—Well, you are sort of a peanut, aren't you?

He Did!

Mr. Trout (measuring how far Ray had run in the hop-step-jump)—How far is it, Ray?

Ray—Forty-eight feet, four inches.

Mr. Trout (meaning to pull tape tighter)—Stretch it.

Ray—One hundred fifty-four feet!

Advice.

Teacher (in Geom.)—When shall we measure the height of a tree?

Students—Wait till a rainy day!

Mr. P.—Joe, what is the chief agricultural product of Argentina?

Joe (slowly)—Grazing, I guess.

A Riddle.

First Girl—Why is a ragtime piece like a house on fire?

Second Girl—The sooner it stops, the better.

The Unexpected

One of the maddest men we ever saw was a chap who yelled loudly for a square deal and got it.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

A Secret.

"Hazel, what is a secret?" I asked my little niece the other day. "Oh," she replied, "a secret is for anyone to have no one to know something but you and someone."—Chicago Tribune.

Wise Habit of Silence.

Give not thy tongue too great a liberty, lest it take thee prisoner. A word unspoken is, like the sword in the scabbard, thine; if vented, thy sword is in another's hand. If thou desire to be held wise, be so wise as to hold thy tongue.—Francis Quarles.

True Courage.

"I understand that Mr. Grabwell started in life by borrowing \$50. You must admire a man with courage like that." "No, I don't," replied Mr. Growcher. "The man I admire is the one who had the courage to lend him the fifty."

On the Curve.

In going quickly around a sharp curve the inside wheels of a vehicle naturally leave the ground first.

Abstruse Cookery.

"I see Boston girls are taking up culinary matters in the public schools." "Learning to cut the pie, I suppose, into conic sections."—Judge.

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Tuesday, May 25—"The Outlaw's Revenge, four reels. The fifth of the Mutual Master Pictures, with Robert Harron, Mae Marsh, R. A. Walsh and Irene Hunt. A story of Mexico, in which the life of the famous rebel chief, General Villa, is wonderfully and vividly portrayed among the hills and valleys along the Rio Grande.

Friday, May 21—"The Devil," in five smashing reels, is Charles Swickard's adaptation of Franz Molnar's celebrated play. It is realism, tremendous realism, and no modern picture has been more lavishly presented. Bessie Barriscale and Edward Connelly are starred.

LYRIC THEATRE

Thursday, May 20.—"Janet of Chorus," in two parts, with Norma Talmadge, and "The Siren's Reign," three reels, with Anna Nelson. 5c and 10c.

Friday, May 21.—Charles Chaplin in a two-reel comedy, and "The Stoning," in three parts, with Viola Dana. 5c and 10c.

Saturday, May 22.—"The Blessed Miracle," in three reels with Ethel Clayton. 5c to all.

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Editorial

This final number, which has been dedicated to the Senior Class of 1915, closes our year's work in connection with the "Sphinx." We, the present staff, have tried faithfully to perform our duties, have backed the school in its various enterprises and intellectual and athletic activities, and have tried to make our friends and subscribers understand what is meant by true C. T. H. S. loyalty and undaunted school spirit. We have been true, inasmuch as we understood how, to the best interests of the school. How much of

our aims we have accomplished we leave you to judge.

We are glad of the opportunity we have had to serve you. We have learned many practical lessons which could not have been gained from any other branch of the school work — lessons which are going to help us when we leave C. T. H. S. and go out into the world. We want to thank first of all, the citizens, our advertisers and subscribers, who have so enthusiastically supported us in every school enterprise. We want to thank again the

students and alumni who have faithfully backed us all year, contributing material for the paper, and giving of their time and help so freely. Without such interest and encouragement the influence of the "Sphinx" could not have been as widespread nor this year as successful as one as it has been. It is with the wish for an ever-increasing prosperity and success, and an ever-true loyalty to the noble spirit and high aims of our C. T. H. S. that we leave you.



To Miss
Inez Brinton

(With Apologies to Richard Hovey.)

What need have you of praising? Could
we find
Some lonely spirit no one praises yet,
Her rather would we choose, that she
might know
The younger workmen knew her,
marked her, loved.
But you—the whole world praises you.
What need
Have you of any speech we have to
give?
Yet for the work's sake we must give
you praise;
And for the work's sake you will pardon
us.
But we would rather meet you face to
face
And talk of other and indifferent
things,
And say no word of all that we would
say,
Praise and thanksgiving for encour-
agement and care,
Gratefulness, too, for the service of
years—
But leave you silent as we students
do—
And you would know—and you would
understand.

The Faculty

Miss Eva Mitchell



Mr. Arthur L. Trout



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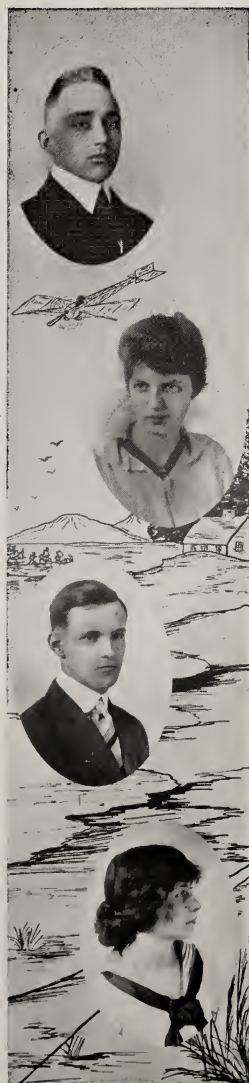
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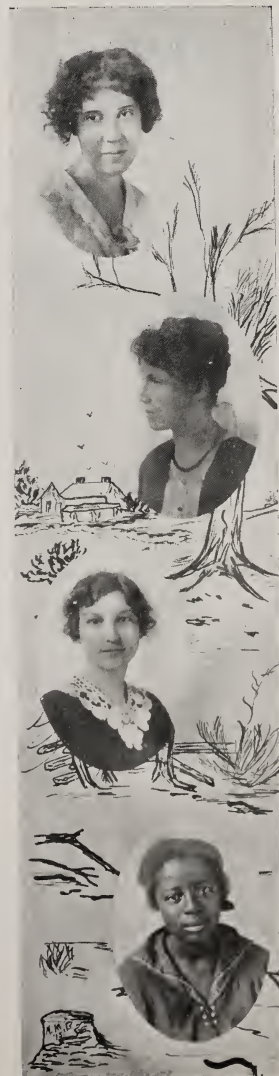
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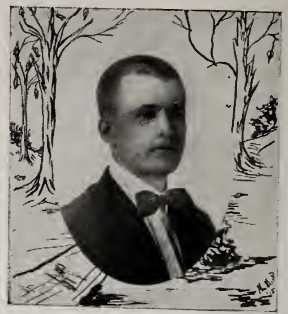
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Mary Belle Baker



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Who's Who--And Why



James Armstrong, "Jimmie"—Winner boy's solo S. I. N. U. '14; Intellectual Teams, '14, '15; vice president Iris '14; president Iris '15; Glee Club '14; Chorus '13; German Club '15; Inter-Society Committee '15; Iris '14, '15; Class Historian '14, '15.

Jessie Beaver—President Girls' Glee Club '14; Girls' Glee Club '12, '13, '14; Delphic '14, '15; Tennis Assn. '10, '11; Girls' B. B. Team '12; May Queen's Attendant '15.

Louis Beaver, "Bob"—Varsity Track Team '14, '15; Varsity Football '11.

William Bellamy—Iris '15; German Club '15.

Marjorie Breneman ("Mard")—Vice president Class '11; Tennis Assn. '13; Iris '14, '15; H. H. S. Club, '12; May Queen's attendant '14; Maid of Honor May Festival '15; German Club '15; Class Play '15.

Mary Belle Baker—Vice president Delphic '15; Glee Club '14, '15; German Club '15.

Goldie Bryant—B. B. team '12, '13; Chorus '13, '14; Delphic '14, '15.

Freda Dardis—H. H. S. Club '12; Tennis '13; Glee Club '14, '15; Chorus "Princess Chrysanthemum" '13; Delphic '14, '15; Inter-Society Board '15; May Queen Attendant '14, '15.

Harry Davis—Business manager of "Sphinx" '15; captain Track Team '14; Varsity Track Team, '15; Varsity Tennis '15; treasurer Delphic '15; German Club, '15; Intellectual Team '15; winner second place Boy's Solo, S. I. N. U. '15; Class Play, '15; "Sphinx" Managing Board '15.

Augusta Pike ("Gus")—Captain B. B. Team '13, '15; Glee Club '13, '14; president Class '13; German Club '14, '15; president Delphic Lit. Society '15; Class Play '15; May Queen Attendant '15; "Sphinx" board '15.

Antonia Fischbacha ("Tony")—Girls' Quartet '13, '14, '15; chorus "Princess Chrysanthemum" '13; cast "Engaged by Wednesday" '15; Joke

Editor "Sphinx" '15; Glee Club '15; German Club '15; Iris '14, '15; Intellectual Team '15; winner in Girls' Quartet, S. I. N. U. '15.

Blanche Fogerson—Iris '14, '15.

Jean Fyke—Sec.-Treas. Class '13; vice president Class '15; president Iris '14; Iris '15; president German Club '15; German Club '14; "Sphinx" staff '14, '15; Inter-Society Board '14, '15; chorus "Princess Chrysanthemum" '13; Bus. Mgr. May Pole '15; Glee Club '13, '15; B. B. team '12, '13, '14.

Alice Foley—Iris '15; May Festival '15; B. B. team '15; Class Play '15.

Florence Gott—Delphic '14, '15; Vice President German Club '15.

Media Hartley—Iris '14, '15; Beaula Hartley—Delphic Lit. '14, '15; Domestic Science Club '13; chorus '14.

Harry Hanseman—Athletic Assn. '14, '15.

Lawrence Heyduck—Iris '14, '15; Class Electrician, '13; German Club '15; Varsity B. B. Team '10.

Lois Hileman—Chorus '14, '15; Delphic '14, '15.

Katherine Kell—German Club '14, '15; Glee Club '14, '15; chorus '13; Iris '14, '15.

Elva Krutinger—Delphic '14, '15.

Percy Loomis ("Perc")—President Class '12, '15; vice president Class '13; Varsity Basket Ball '13, '14, '15; captain track team '15; sec.-treas. Tennis Assn. '15; sec.-treas. Athletic Assn. '14; captain B. B. team '15; Varsity track team '12, '13, '14, '15; Athletic editor "Sphinx" '14; mgr. track '14; Delphic '14, '15.

Mary Parkinson—Girls' B. B. team '13, '14, '15; May Queen '15; president Junior Class '14; sec. Freshman Class '12; Iris '15; Tennis '15; Iris '14, '15.

Florence Saxer—Class treas. '12; Junior Girls' B. B. captain '14; president German Club '14; German Club '15; "Sphinx" staff '14; Delphic '15; Glee Club '15.

Lulu Sellers—Iris '14, '15.

Pansy Simons—H. H. S. '12, '13; Delphic '14, '15; Inter-Society Board '15; Girls' B. B. team '12, '13.

Ruby Smith—Iris '14, '15; treasurer Class '15; German Club '15; Tennis '14; B. B. Team '14; Glee Club '14, '15; chorus "Princess Chrysanthemum" '13; "Sphinx" staff '15; May Queen Attendant '15.

Mazie Sullivan—Winner in Girls' Quartet S. I. N. U. '15; Delphic '14, '15; Team's '12; Chorus '14; Glee Club '15; Girls' Quartet '15.

Francis Rogier—Delphic '15; Glee Club '15; German Club '15.

Eyron Root—Iris '14; sec. Class '15; Varsity Basket Ball '15; Varsity Track Team '15; Chorus '13.

Leon Sherman—Varsity Basket Ball '14, '15; Varsity Track '14, '15; Varsity Tennis '14, '15; sec. Delphic '15; cast "Engaged by Wednesday" '15; Intellectual Team '15; German Club '15; president Tennis Assn. '15; Class Play '15; mgr. Track '15; vice president German Club '14.

Harold Skillman—Iris '15.

Walter Storer—Sec. German Club '15; Delphic '14, '15; Class Valedictorian '15.

Madge Tucker ("Matches")—Editor-in-chief "Sphinx" '15; Joke Editor "Sphinx" '14; vice president Class '14; H. H. S. Club '12; Glee Club '13, '14; Chorus "Princess Chrysanthemum" '13; Tennis '13; Girls' B. B. Team '13, '14, '15; German Club '15; Salutatorian Class '15; Intellectual Team '14, '15; German Club '15; "Sphinx" Managing Board '15; winner Girl's Declaration S. I. N. U. '15; Class Play '15.

Euphonia Watts—H. H. S. Club '12, '13; Chorus '12, '13; Delphic '14, '15.

Emma Wilson—Iris '14; May Dance '13.

Ophelia Wilson—Iris '14.



Ye who love a nation's legends,
Love the ballads of a people,
Telling of their deeds and valor,
Of their toils and of their triumphs,
Listen to these rude traditions,
To this simple Indian legend.

By the shores of great Lake Spurrier,
By the shining Big-Sea-Water,
At the doorway of his wigwam,
In the pleasant Autumn morning,
He, the chief of all the people,
Stood erect and called the nations,
Called the tribes of men together.
He, the ruler of the nations,
Warning to them spake, in this wise:
"Oh, my children! Oh, my children!
Listen to the words of wisdom,
Listen to the words of warning,
From the lips of all your teachers,
From the lips of those who love you."

Then the fierce Kabibonaka,
Then the wild and blustery North
Wind
Issued from his lodge of snowdrifts,
From his home among the icebergs,
And he howled and hurried southward,
Still the tribe worked on together,
Lived and toiled and worked together,
That their tribe might live and prosper,

Might enlarge our Famous Hall,
And for each moon of the Winter
Honor came to Walter Storer,
From his teachers and his comrades.
But e'er many more moons faded,
All the tribes were called together
To appoint themselves a chieftain.
He was Loomis, small tho' mighty,
Whom they chose to be their chieftain.
And for many moons he ruled them,
Ruled them well and ruled them wisely.

Then while they were all assembled,
All assembled there together,
Thus again the ruler warned them:
"All your strength is in your union,
All your danger is in discord.
Therefore be at peace henceforward,
And as brothers live together.
And although I soon will leave you,
There will come another ruler.
He will be to you a couns'lor,
Who shall guide you and shall teach you.

If you listen to his teachings
You will grow in strength and wisdom.
If his warnings pass unheeded,
You will fade away and perish."
Then in silence all the people
Turned their faces to the westward,
And departed each one homeward.
Swiftly then the summer faded
And again the tribes were gathered,
Called together by their ruler,
The new ruler, Tubbs, they called him.

And all gathered there together,
They again looked for a chieftain,
One who would be strong and hardy,
Who would rule them as the first one,
Who would rule them well and wisely,
And this time they chose a maiden
To rule them as the first one,
Who would rule them well and wisely.
An this time they chose a maiden
To rule over them and guide them,
Chose Augusta of the Fike tribe,
And she ruled them all the winter,
And they listened to the great chief,
To the ruler of the people,
And they heeded all his sayings
When to them he spoke in warning,
When he often did advise them
In a time of strife and turmoil,
To apply the damp, wet towel,
And to burn the midnight oil.
While Augusta was their chieftain
Two great feasts of celebration,
One a picnic, one a party,
Gathered all this tribe together.
At the first, across the water
Glided they in birch canoes,
Sang and talked and thought together.
At the other, Jossokeedees,
Prophet of this mighty nation,
Sat within his tent and waited,
Waited, and to each one spake he,
Telling what he read in Heaven,
What was written 'mongst the stars,
What would be the fate of each one.
Still another summer vanished,
And the tribe again assembled,
And again chose as their chieftain,
Not a warrior, but a maiden,
Mary, tall and straight as willow,
Parkinson, by birth and training.
Now the warriors came forth bravely,
And to Loomis and to Sherman
Much is owed, for they together
Helped to win a mighty battle,
Urged on by their leader, Stables.
They brought home the prize in triumph,
And their enemies went homeward.
But not only were they mighty
In a contest of this nature,
But they used their wits and voices,
Helped to win another trophy,
Thanks to James, the singer Arm-
strong.

Then again they came together
For a feast and merrymaking,
And they asked the mighty Seniors
To their banquet and their feasting.
This they called "Junior Reception,"
And it ne'er will be forgotten.
When another summer faded,
And they came again together,
They again chose Loomis chieftain.
They for many moons had struggled,
Fought and worked and played to-
gether.

Until now the prize was nearer

And they soon should reach the treasure.

Now, indeed, they'd grown in wisdom
And were now important Seniors.
Seniors, but not any too old
To enjoy the merrymaking
That the Juniors had provided.
Still another brave they honored,
Davis, fleet of foot and sturdy.
Then were there three Senior maidens
Who deserve especial mention.
One was Tony who was willing
To try out in every contest,
Try to win for C. T. H. S.
One was Mazie, also anxious
To bring honor to her tribesmen.
And the third was Madge, their reader,
Who when beaten was not daunted,
But who conquered all contestants,
And who gained a splendid victory.
But the maiden highly honored
By her tribesmen and her people,
Was again the dark-haired Mary,
Whom they chose from all the maidens
To be queen, and then they crowned her,

Crowned her with a great rejoicing
And a day of merrymaking.
Now they hope you'll not forget them,
Although they are soon to leave you,
Go to combat with all hardships
'Till they learn that they are masters.
If they could but have a vision
Have the future plain before them—
All the secrets of the future,
All its triumphs and its hardships
Spread out like the lake before them,
Then the path would be much smoother,

They could dodge and pass in safety,
Pass the dangers and the hardships.
But it is much better for them
To know nothing of these dangers,
For they now leave youth behind them,
They have entered into manhood,
And must forge into the forest
That now stretches out before them,
Dark and gloomy though it may seem.
But when they have passed through this safely,

Greatly will they be rewarded.
So they say again, "Farewell!
Farewell. all our childhood's pleasures!

But we go not with hearts heavy,
For we know that much awaits us,
And we go to seek and find it.
The Great Spirit watches o'er us,
He shall give us other pleasures
And a broader, clearer vision.
So we fear not; but rejoicing,
Push into this dark, thick forest,
So to grow to better manhood,
Grow in strength and grow in wisdom."

—BEULAH BAILE, '15.



Our Graduation



Sunday night, June 6, the class of 1915 of the C. T. H. S. held baccalaureate services in the Pittenger Grand opera house. At 8 o'clock the thirty-nine members of the class, arrayed in caps and gowns, and followed by the members of the faculty, marched single file down the two center aisles of the building and seated themselves in the first few rows of seats. Rev. A. P. Howells of the Baptist church delivered the baccalaureate address, and Mr. Clarence Eis sang "The Lord is My Shepherd." Prayers and benediction by other ministers of the city followed.

Monday night the class will present the play, "Mr. Bob." This cast will consist of the following characters: Robert Brown, clerk of Benson & Benson, Harry Davis; Jenkins, Miss Rebecca's butler, Leon Sherman; Patty,

Miss Rebecca's maid, Madge Tucker; Rebecca Luke, a maiden lady, Alice Foley; Katherine Rogers, her niece, Marjorie Breneman; Marion Bryant, Katherine's friend, Augusta Fike. The play has been coached by Miss Eva Mitchell of the faculty. Before the opening of the play the class history and prophesy will be presented in rather a unique manner. The stage will be arranged in the form of an Indian camp. The class historian, Beulah Bailie, dressed as a squaw, will read the past history of the class, and Jean Fyke, class prophet, will show the future of each member of the class. Both the prophesy and the history will be given in Indian verse form. After the play is over the graduates of the class will meet for one last and glorious time.

Tuesday night, June 8, the final cere-

monies of graduation will be performed, the Commencement exercises. Again in caps and gowns the members of the class, together with Mr. Tubbs and the speaker of the evening, Mr. Nathaniel Butler, of Chicago, will be seated upon the stage. This same night the valedictorian, Walter Storer, and the salutatorian, Madge Tucker, will deliver the farewell speeches of the class. Mr. W. F. Bundy will present the members of the class with their diplomas, and a vocal solo will be given by Fae Shuttleworth. After the exercises are over, the members of the class of 1915 will bid farewell to their old high school days at C. T. H. S., and begin to make good their motto, "Ever Upwards."

—1915.



ASSEMBLY HALL



Class Prophecy



There are those who are not willing
Just to know the life preceding,
Who would search and work forever
Just to peer into the future.
Of your classmates I will tell you,
Of your 1915 classmates.

Should you ask of Jimmie Armstrong,
I should say he is a waiter,
At a cafe in Sandoval.
Once when Leon did get hungry,
Advertising "Get Thin Quickly,"
Jame did thrust on him a doughnut,
And did break his nine days' fasting.
Leon heard of Goldie Bryant,
And how fat she was becoming,
So he journeyed forth to find her
In the side show of a circus.

And in front of him a poster
Told him of these many people,
"Percy Loomis, the Great Giant,
Three-feet-ten Without His Shoes On;
Francis Rogier, Smallest Midget
Ever Known in all creation;
Mazie Sullivan, the Swimmer,
Gives a Fancy Exhibition
Of her Many Water Tumbles;
Elva Krutsinger, the Famous,
Walks the Tight Rope Two Times
Daily;

Mary Parkinson and Pansy
Tell Your Fortune for a Penny."
As he turned to leave the sign board
Past him went an organ grinder—
Ruby Smith, the Organ Grinder—
With a monkey trailing after,
Whom he recognized as Byron,
With a red cap for his headgear,
And a tin cup for his pennies.
Thus did Leon learn the fortunes
Of his 1915 classmates.

Would you know of Walter Storer?
He, with William, sought to better
Human beings in their troubles.
Made a home for feeble minded;
In this home for feeble minded
Lives our hero, Harry Davis,
Resting there his mind from worry,
From the hand of advertisers.

Out upon the bridge at midnight,
Close beside the rushing waters,
Stands Madge Tucker sadly gazing—
Gazing at the rushing waters.
She is sick at heart and weary
Of the world that she is leaving,
For her love is unrequited,
And for someone she is grieving.

1915 was religious;
Tony, Lois, Gus and Florence
Joined the band of faithful workers,
Joined the Army of Salvation,
Who on corners raise their voices,
Bidding all to be converted.

Many others, scorning meekness,
Went into a band of players,
Went along with fancy dancers,

Emma Wilson, Blanch and Lulu,
And with them went Beulah Hartley.
And this band of roving players
Featured Media as a singer,
And Ophelia as a reader.

In their travels o'er the country,
They did meet and talk with Harry,
Harry Hanseman, an actor,
Playing Shakespeare's famous "Ham-
let."

They did meet him in the lobby
Of a hotel out in Reno.
There were Mary Belle and Jessie,
One, a clerk behind a counter,
Selling candies and Fatimas,
Selling magazines and papers.
Jessie kept a Beauty Parlor,
Where she rubbed, and scoured, and
polished,
And made beautiful the people
Who wore war-paint on their faces.

Out in Reno where divorces
Can be had for merely asking,
Beulah Ballie, with her husband,
Louis Beaver, once so brawny,
Came to seek a separation,
For he was so very cranky
She could stand the strain no longer.
Louis, crushed by this great sorrow,
To a rest-cure institution
Went, and there met Alice Foley,
Who was suffering from sickness
Which the doctors said was fatal;
"Cats-on-the-brain," the doctors called
it.

Louis did not care, however,
For he straightway wooed and wed
her.

Katherine Kell and Daphna Watts
Took Mrs. Pankhurst for a model,
And are making speeches daily
In the crowded streets of Odin.

Harold Skillman, a match-maker,
Writes for daily city papers,
In the column of the love-lorn,
Calls himself "Miss Laura Libbey."
To his notice comes a letter,
Asking for advice in trouble.
Florence Gott to him has written,
And he answers her as follows:
"Watch a young man they call Harry,
He's the man for you; don't tarry."

By the shores of river Okaw
Stands the cottage of one Heyduck,
He who took to wife a Dardis.
In this cottage by the river,
Majorie did do the cooking;
Thus she slaved and toiled forever,
In the cottage by the river.

Now I've numbered every Senior,
And their fortunes I've related,
But I hope that Fate will bring them
Faith and Hope and Love and Fortune.

—JEAN FYKE, '15.



May Pageant And Play



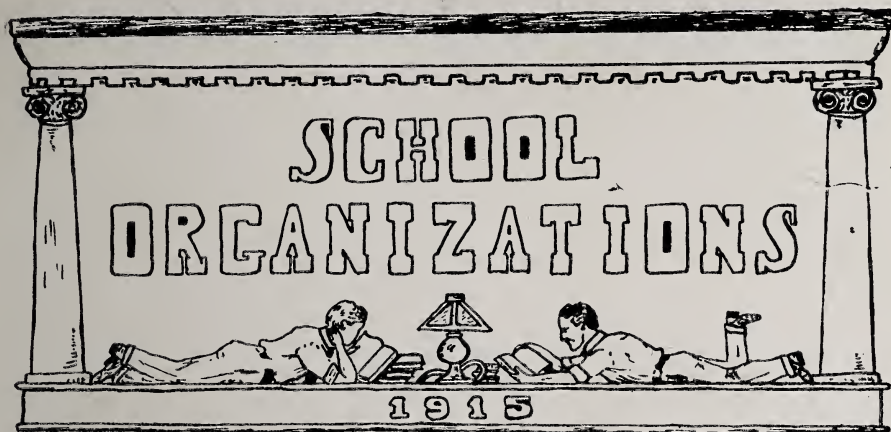
Among the events which helped to spread abroad the fame of C. T. H. S. this spring, occurred the annual May Festival and Pageant, May 30. The idea of ushering in the spring months was carried out by the dancers. The grand march about the May Pole was led by the ex-queens, Blanche Bales, '13, and Pearl Smith, '14. Next followed the dance of the March Winds, represented by girls dressed in yellow and grey, the yellow half of their dresses being decorated with black suns, the grey half with pussy willows. The girls danced carrying broken umbrellas. The April dancers, clad in yellow dresses, followed. Spring, represented by Marjorie Breneman, maid of honor, was ushered in by the Snowballs, who executed a graceful dance

to the music of Mendelssohn's Spring Song. The queen, Mary Parkinson, and her four flower attendants were then brought in in a May blossom-covered car. Their dance of the flowers was followed by the crowning of the queen. All dancers then joined in the How-Do-You-Do, which was followed by the dance of the May Flowers. Veneita Johnson next came forth from her cocoon and led the butterflies in a beautiful classical dance. The June Roses concluded the individual dances and the grand May Pole ended in a shower of rose petals on the dancers.

Oral English Play.

That same night the underclassman play, "Engaged by Wednesday," given

by the Oral English Class, proved an immense success. The plot was clever and amusing and scored an immediate hit with the audience. The leads were taken by Alden Perrine, '16, as Arthur Watson, and Vivian Myers, '16, as Lucile Persons. The other characters were: Edith Robertson, Lucile's old-maid aunt; Martin Henry, general sardener and keeper of chickens, Leon Sherman; Lucile's friends from college: Mable, Jessie Beaver, Marie, Fae Pittenger-Brown, Jane. Katherine Miller; Arthur's college friends: Jack, Tom Field, Ted, Robert Robertson, Joe, McRitt McDowell; Mary, the maid, Antonia Fischbacher; Arthur's mother, May Wells; gypsies, Sula Brown and Ora Walraven.



German Club



First Semester—Jean Fyke, president; Leon Sherman, vice president; Gerald Kohl, secretary; Wilson Storer, treasurer.

Second Semester—Jean Fyke, president; Florence Gott, vice president; Walter Storer, secretary; Wilson Storer, treasurer.

The German Club was formed October 8, and consisted of the second and third year German students. Later, Seniors taking German I were admitted into the club. The membership fee was ten cents for each semester. Thirty members were enrolled and bi-monthly meetings were held Wednesday nights at the home of any member who wished to entertain. The first part of the evening was always taken up by a program which was, with the exception of a few cases, given in German. Before and during the program the members were compelled by the constitution of the club to pay a

fine of one cent for each English word spoken. In thus putting to practical use the German learned in the classroom, the students derived a great deal of benefit as well as pleasure from the club.

Just before Christmas vacation the members of the German III class gave the play "Eigensinn," which being translated means "Obstinacy." The cast consisted of Alden Perrine, John Finch, Charles Underwood, Florence Saxer, Jean Fyke and Florence Gott. The play was given before an audience consisting of the members of the club, the German I students and a number of guests. After the play a Christmas celebration in true German style, including a large lighted tree loaded with presents and good things to eat, completed the evening's entertainment.

On April 23 the club was given a

farewell entertainment by Mrs. Perrine. The guests were taken to the Perrine home in automobiles furnished by a few of the generous club members. Various games were played until 7 o'clock, when supper was served. The officers of the club and a few of the members present were called on for toasts and all responded heartily. It was at this time that James Armstrong made himself famous by an illustrious, high-sounding extemporaneous speech and Antonia quoted jokes from the "Ladies' Home Journal."

Two more enjoyable affairs, completed the happy year enjoyed by the club. The first of these was a visit to the country home of Nelpha Boles, five miles east of Centralia, while the last meeting took the form of a jolly picnic and fishing party on the banks of Lake Centralia.



Music



At the beginning of the first semester the Girls' Glee Club consisted of about forty voices, but after a time it was narrowed down to only a few, and from these the girls' quartet was chosen. The Glee Club made a study of tone production and of several songs, and the quartet is really the culmination of the Club's work. The quartet has done splendid work this year and deserves the highest praise. At the Intellectual meet held here May 1 our girls won first place among the quartets and were presented with a silver cup; they also secured first place at the Carbondale meet on Fri-

day, May 7, and as a result they are proudly exhibiting gold medals.

The chorus of forty voices, boys and girls, has given some time to practicing, and Tuesday, May 6, sang at the Music Teachers' concert given at the Methodist church. Many comments have been made on the talent exhibited at the musical.

The Boys' Glee Club has not made so much progress this year on account of lack of tenors, but there are hopes of some rare talent being discovered by next year, and of a fine boys' quartet.

The music class has taken up the history of music, the foundation and simple rudiments of harmony, the lives of composers and the discussion of their works. A Schumann program was given in which several members of the class took part. It was very interesting as well as instructive because it showed how the composer's feelings can be directly discerned from his works. No better an example of this expression could have been chosen than Schumann.



Delphic Literary Society



Delphic Officers

President, Augusta Fike.

Vice-President, Mary Belle Baker.

Treasurer, Harry Davis.

Secretary, Leon Sherman.

Sergeant of Arms, Robert Robertson

Since last year's successful beginning and triumph the Delphic Literary Society has been progressing steadily. In spite of the fact that the contest with the Iris Society was lost this year, much gain has been made in experience and in members. The increase in the number of members has been due to the interest of the incoming Freshmen in the society work. The good quality of the parts of the programs given by the Freshmen has been one of the most surprising and pleasing results of this year's attainments.

On October 2, the society met for the first time. A short time after the contest with the Iris the president re-

signed, the vice-president, Mary Belle Baker becoming president.

Although the contest resulted unfavorably to the Delphic, however, the many victories in other fields have more than compensated that defeat. The number of failures in the Delphic has been considerably less than in the Iris in the majority of the periods and even when there were more than in the opposing society, the difference was small. Two victories in the dual meet with Mt. Vernon were gained by members of the Delphic. In both the Centralia and Carbondale intellectual meets four of the six contestants from C. T. H. S. who reached the finals were also representa-

tives of this society.

This year's valedictorian and salutatorian are both members of the Delphic Society.

The year's programs have been unusually entertaining and interesting. In all about ten have given by this society. Among the subjects were the following: "Exams," "The War," "Lincoln," "St. Patrick and the Irish," and "A District School." The last one mentioned was a very amusing one act farce given by the third section of the society. After everything has been taken into consideration it will be seen that the society has had a very prosperous year.



Iris Literary Society

Iris Officers

PresidentJames Armstrong

Vice PresidentCharles Kinnane SecretaryGladys Goodman TreasurerMary Parkinson

The Iris Literary Society held its first meeting in the Assembly Hall on October 25. This meeting was for the purpose of electing new officers for the coming year. Mr. Tubbs was selected for Faculty Advisor. The whole society was re-divided into four groups by the lot system which was used last year.

In the tryouts for the Inter-Society Contest William Bellamy was chosen to represent Iris in declamation, Jennie Grace Terpinitz in girl's vocal solo, James Armstrong in oration, Antonia Fischbacha in extempore, Merritt McDowell in boy's vocal solo, Katherine Miller in girl's reading, Ruby Smith in instrumental solo. Vivian Myers and

John Finch were chosen to form the debating team.

At the contest held in the Assembly Hall on February 25th, the Iris Society won by a doubled score. William Bellamy, Jennie Grace Terpinitz, James Armstrong, Antonia Fischbacha, Vivian Myers and John Finch won in their respective events, giving the Iris a total of six points to three of the Delphic.

In the preliminaries at Carlyle for the Intellectual Meet held at Champaign during Interscholastic week, James Armstrong and Antonia Fischbacha placed. James placed second in the oration and Antonia placed second in the extempore. Each district sends

two representatives to Champaign in the extempore, so that Antonia was one of those sent.

Soon after the Inter-Society Contest our president resigned and Charles Kinnane, vice president, took his place and carried on the work for the remainder of the school year. This year credit was given for society work, arousing a greater interest in the societies. At the Southern Illinois meet in Carbondale, Iris was represented by Antonia Fischbacha, Beulah Davis and James Armstrong. The latter placed third in declamation, and the first two sang in the quartet which won first place.



INTER-SOCIETY BOARD



THE SPHINX STAFF



'14-'15 Basket-Ball Team



One of the best basket ball seasons ever witnessed in Centralia was the gift of the varsity quintet to the loyal rooters of C. T. H. S. this year. A series of twenty-seven hard games was fought by the team under varying conditions and against some of the best teams in the state. The larger number of the games were won by Centralia, and although the 1914-15 team did not win a championship, yet it may be considered that they fought under the trying disadvantage of practicing and playing most of their games on a low-ceilinged, concrete-floored gym, which counted strongly against the team in the tournament games, which were played on a regulation floor. It may further be considered that the team played a much larger number of games than has been played in former years, thus making the strain doubly hard. However, no apology need be made for our team, far from it, but the urgent need of a basket ball floor of regulation size has never been felt more strongly than in the past. This want should be looked to that Centralia may support championship teams in the future.

The South Central Tournament held here was the crowning success of the basket ball season from every point of

view. Centralia played in four games, losing the last two to Granite City and Collinsville, winners of first and second places, respectively. Visiting teams attending the tournament here expressed themselves as favorably impressed by the characteristic exhibition of C. T. H. S. loyalty to her team.

Three of our regulars, Loomis, Root and Sherman, go out this year, but there is a large field to pick from to fill the vacant places and C. T. H. S. is expecting a strong team next year.

Games Played During Season.

Oct. 9—C. T. H. S. 34, Alumni 13.
Oct. 16—C. T. H. S. 25, Tamaroa 11.
Oct. 23—C. T. H. S. 33, Nashville 22.
Oct. 30—C. T. H. S. 33, Marion 4.
Nov. 6—C. T. H. S. 20, Benton 22.
Nov. 13—C. T. H. S. 20, Nashville 40.
Nov. 21—C. T. H. S. 22, Marion 19.
Nov. 25—C. T. H. S. 37, Salem 18.
Nov. 26—C. T. H. S. 24, Carlyle 17.
Nov. 27—C. T. H. S. 17, Kinmundy 43.
Dec. 4—C. T. H. S. 11, Collinsville 43.
Dec. 11—C. T. H. S. 23, Shelbyville 25.
Dec. 18—C. T. H. S. 40, Benton 6.
Dec. 25—C. T. H. S. 10, Granite City 16.
Dec. 25—C. T. H. S. 20, Granite City 16.
Dec. 30—C. T. H. S. 18, Anna Aca-

demy 20.

Dec. 31—C. T. H. S. 5, Duquoin 36.
Jan. 2—C. T. H. S. 14, Carlyle 15.
Jan. 15—C. T. H. S. 12, Shelbyville 31.

Jan. 16—C. T. H. S. 24, Flora 14.
Jan. 22—C. T. H. S. 55, Anna Academy 13.

Jan. 29—C. T. H. S. 23, Hillsboro 21.
Feb. 4—C. T. H. S. 29, Salem 21.
Feb. 6—C. T. H. S. 33, Mt. Vernon 6.
Feb. 12—C. T. H. S. 18, Hillsboro 12.

Games Played at South Central Tournament.

Feb. 26—C. T. H. S. 28, Ashley 12.
Feb. 26—C. T. H. S. 25, Kinmundy 20.
Feb. 27—C. T. H. S. 17, Granite City 24.
Feb. 27—C. T. H. S. 25, Collinsville 25.

Of these games, excepting the tournament games, Centralia won eleven games and lost five at home; won five and lost six abroad.

The number of points made by Centralia during the entire season was 721, the number of points made by C. T. H. S. opponents during the entire season was 613. Excepting the tournament games, Centralia won 18 out of 27 games, or C. T. H. S. played with an average of .666 2-3.



1915 TRACK TEAM



The track team was organized about the middle of April and practice was begun immediately at the White City track. Those who were on the squad selected were: Harry Davis, Percy Loomis, Robert Webster, Charles Maddox, Byron Root, Clifford Greer, Louis Beaver, Alden Perrine, Leon Sherman, Ray Root, Clyde Kern, Curtis Grissom and Clarence Ricks. Percy Loomis was elected captain by the athletic association.

Three meets were taken part in during the year, C. T. H. S. failing to win first in any one, but making creditable showings in each. Moreover, they brought valuable experience to the members of the team, making the chances of victory next season bright.

Centralia Meet.

The first meet in which the team took part was an invitational affair held at the White City track, May 1. Carlyle won the meet, while C. T. H. S. took second place, winning 28 points. Harry Davis made 11 points by winning a first in the 220-yard dash and two seconds, one in the 100-yard dash and one in the running broad jump. Percy Loomis won a second in the 440-yard dash and a third in the

100-yard dash. Geary won a second in the mile, and Grissom won a second in the discus hurl. Greer and Beaver won thirds in the half-mile and shot put respectively. C. T. H. S. won the relay race and for this victory received a large silver cup.

Carbondale Meet.

A week after the Centralia meet, C. T. H. S. was represented in the Carbondale interscholastic. Harry Davis won the 220-yard dash and Percy Loomis secured third in the quarter-mile. Root placed fourth in the half-mile and Greer fifth. Grissom secured fourth in the discus hurl.

The relay team won a silver cup by coming in second in the relay race. Harrisburg carried off the honors in this meet, Centralia being sixth.

Cris of Harrisburg was the individual star, winning five firsts and two seconds.

Champaign Interscholastic.

On May 15, the annual state meet occurred under the auspices of Illinois University. Over five hundred athletes took part in what was perhaps the largest and one of the fastest of these meets ever held. With this keen com-

petition C. T. H. S. was able to win four points. Harry Davis won third in the 100-yard dash. Byron Root won fourth in the half-mile. The relay team, composed of Harry Davis, Leon Sherman, Louis Beaver and Percy Loomis secured fourth place in the relay race. Percy Loomis placed fifth in the quarter. La Grange, last year's victor, won the meet again.

Carlyle Meet.

On the day of the Champaign meet a small team went to Carlyle. The team secured a third in the relay and the members placed fourth in several events. Clyde Kern did well in the pole vault and is expected to place next year.

The season as a whole was not a success as far as winning the meets was concerned, but track is taking a place among the interests of the C. T. H. S. students. Next year with added interest a good team should represent C. T. H. S. and bring back many victories. Interscholastic meets are doing a great deal to make C. T. H. S. known to schools all over the country.



Intellectual Teams



The first dual Intellectual Contest between Centralia and Mt. Vernon occurred April 16. Two contests were held on the same evening, one in Centralia and one in Mt. Vernon, each contest consisting of seven events. Each school had two representatives in each event excepting the quartet, there being only one girls' and one boys' quartet from each school. C. T. H. S. was represented in Centralia by Katherine Miller, girl's recitation; Ruby Smith, piano solo; May Wallis, extempore; Jennie Grace Terpinia, girls' solo; James Armstrong, boys' solo; Leon Sherman, boy's declamation; Merritt McDowell, James Armstrong, Chester White and Hallie Redus, boys' quartet. At Mt. Vernon: Madge Tucker, girl's recitation; Freda Dardis, piano solo; Antonia Fischbacha, extempore; Mazie Sullivan, girls' solo; Harry Davis, boy's solo; William Bellamy, boy's declamation; Bess Johnson, Beulah Davis, Antonia Fischbacha and Mazie Sullivan, girls' quartet, endeavored to win the laurels for their Alma Mater. Although the C. T. H. S. contestants performed their parts creditably, Centralia was overwhelmingly beaten, winning only three events. Mazie Sullivan, who sang "I Hear a Trush at Eve," defeated Eugenia Moss, who sang "A May Morning." James Armstrong, singing "Be-

loved, It Is Morn," won over his opponent, who sang "When the Heart is Young." Leon Sherman with "The New South," defeated Silas Sneed, who gave "Daniel O'Connell." The team greatly enjoyed their trip to Mt. Vernon, in spite of the crushing defeat, and both teams resolved that when the opportunity presented itself they would do their best to retrieve the lost victory.

This opportunity came for some in the Invitational Intellectual held in Centralia on May 1. The preliminaries were held in the morning at the Assembly Hall of the High school, and at the Baptist church. C. T. H. S. entered contestants in five events and three placed for the finals, which were held Saturday evening in the Baptist church. Our only opponent in the finals was Mt. Vernon. Antonia Fischbacha, Mazie Sullivan, Bess Johnson and Beulah Davis, who sang "Welcome, Pretty Primrose Flower," defeated the opposing quartet, who sang "Maid of the Mist." Leon Sherman again defeated his opponent with "The New South," by Grady. Madge Tucker, who recited "The Piper," won second place. The boys' quartet from Mt. Vernon, singing "Good-Night," won over the four from Ashley, who sang the same song. The girl's solo was won by Neone Hobbs of Mt. Ver-

non; Mary Gramley of Kimmundly secured second place. Mt. Vernon carried off the plaque, entitled "The Singing Boys," which was awarded to the winner of the contest, but C. T. H. S. is proud of the beautiful silver cup won by the girls' quartet.

The honor of C. T. H. S. was upheld at the Carbondale Intellectual, which was held May 7, by the girls' quartet; Madge Tucker, girl's recitation; Mazie Sullivan, girl's solo; Harry Davis, boy's solo, and James Armstrong, boy's declamation. Our quartet again won first place, and each of the four girls now wears a gold medal. The opposing quartet was from Ashley. Madge Tucker secured first with "The Piper," defeating the representative from Cairo and also the contestant from Harrisburg in the finals. Harry Davis sang "Danny Deever," and won second place. The first honors in this contest went to East St. Louis, and Centralia secured second place.

C. T. H. S. was creditably represented in the Interscholastic at Champaign by Antonia Fischbacha in extempore as the result of her placing second in the district oratorical contest held at Carlyle. James Armstrong also placed second at Carlyle with his oration on "Maritime Progress."

Alumni Notes

Champaign, Ill., May 24, 1915.

Dear Sphinx:

I am glad of this opportunity to write because it is a good chance to express my delight at the thought of a Homecoming celebration.

Any means of gathering us all together would satisfy me, but don't most of you think that a picnic would be the best way of all? In the first place, there are so many of us that a picnic ground is the only place which could hold us comfortably. Then, too, picnics last longer than ordinary parties. This is the real reason, for the longer it lasts, the better the time we'll have. Moreover, avoiding party clothes will rid us of a certain amount of formality which would never do for our high school reunion.

We could offer a prize, perhaps—honorable mention in the evening papers, to the class best represented. Such a reward ought to call forth results from every loyal graduate!

But I think that the plan will be met with enthusiasm on the part of every alumnus. Everyone will be more than glad of the chance to see us all together again. What the idea seems to lack is a definite date and definite plans. It will be up to this year's graduating class and the town alumni to settle that part of it. But whatever they decide upon will, I know, be acceptable to all of us, and I can prom-

ise the most joyful support of the entire band of us here at the University of Illinois.

Yours most cordially,

ROWENA KOHL, '14.

THE LEAVING.

Time, oh, Time, where art thou going?
Thou art carrying us so fast
Through a school we're proud of
knowing,
Grieved to know this year our last.

We have learned to love our classmates,
As we meet from day to day,
We have soothed each other's heart-aches,
As we walk each other's way.

Now again the time draws nearer,
Fellow students, we must leave,
Though our way is somewhat clearer,
Yet, oh, how our hearts do grieve.

We, as Seniors, pass the threshold
Of our dear C. T. H. S.
Is our story only half-told?
Have we truly done our best?

In the days that we are living
We shall each one take a part,
To win success by luck and strife,
Then keep it in our heart.

But in our luck and happiness,
We'll truly bear in mind,
The dear old school, C. T. H. S.,
That we have left behind.

—LULU SELLERS, '15.

SONG OF 1915.

(Tune: "Sweet and Low.")
True and strong, right not wrong,
Thus may our aims still prove,
Fading fast, swift they pass,
Days in the school we love.

Now we are leaving you ne'er to return,
You know our love for you always will
will burn.
We will be true, C. T. H. S.
We'll remember you, our dear Alma
Mater.

Years may come, years may go,
Time with its fleeting trial,
In the life we will know
We won't forget to smile.

We will be true to the lessons learned
here,
We'll ne'er forget each one, each com-
rade dear,
Classmates of 1915,
We'll remember you, our dear Alma
Mater.

Thought?

Mr. Trout (on Examination)—Discuss the first winter of the Pilgrims, touching on (a) their hardships, (b) their relations with the American Indians.

Answer found — (a) The Pilgrims suffered from much cold and hunger. (b) They were no relation to the American Indians!

Dwight—How long can a person live without brains?
Kind Friend—I don't know; how old are you?

Last Will And Testament

Slowly with eyes looking downward
and steps that are lagging and
painful,

Filled with a spirit of sadness, we
leave for the land of tomorrow.

Whether good fortune awaits us or
trials of days never-ending,

This is our wish at the parting—the
wish of the class that is fading:

School of our four years of learning,
halls that we'll never forget,

Take thou the good we have wrought
here—small to be sure, but our
best.

Noble is thy conception, great to the
highest degree,

Sending forth men for the nation as
servants of humanity.

Teachers we learned from will leave
thee, students we knew will de-
part,

But yours is our lasting affection,
We grant thee this pledge ere we part.

Teachers, I pause as I call thee, great
is the end to be won,

Weak are mere words for expression—
better not said when 'tis done.

Take thou thy share in our future—
thy patience will not be in vain;

Inspired by thy beings, not teachings,
will strive as co-partners to gain.

For here we have found life's ambition,
have broadened from youths into
men;

Years will but strengthen, not change
us from what thou hast moulded
us in.

But, oh, if dark degradation o'ershad-
ows the straight, narrow way,

Remember that your recollection has
Kept us from farther astray.

Juniors, thy school's reputation we
leave thee to uphold and keep!

Take it and by your exertion perchance
you will new honors reap.

This is advice to the Soph'mores, we
leave it as their legacy,

Prepare for a brighter tomorrow by
work and discretion today.

Freshmen, take thou our best wishes
for future, too bright far to see,

Then go as a living example of what
you think others should be.

Closed is our wealth distribution and
soon will our members be scat-
tered,

Tired is the pen that is writing, but
short is the time to be waited.

Come forth, oh Future, what tidings?

Calmly we wait for thy judgment.

SENIOR CLASS, 1915.

Per James W. Armstrong.

Squiblets

The Story of the "Sphinx" (Revised).

Once upon a time there was a High School. This High School nestled peacefully in the broad expanse of a campus covered at first by cow-peas which were later replaced by grass and other vegetables. After many years of peaceful habitation in this High School the students decided it was altogether a disgrace not to be noticed outside of the city in which the High School was situated. Accordingly they went to a certain Oracle within the High School and for days they waited in vain for a solution of the problem. Finally the Oracle said, "I have a riddle you must guess. If you do not guess it you will flunk, but if you do I will give you that which shall be forever yours. And the riddle is this: What is that which we need but haven't got; which some people have and don't want; and which is a national necessity?"

For many months students worked on this problem. Almost daily someone flunked and still there came no answer. At last a tall ministerial young man, upon whom the burdens of the world rested very heavily, came forward and bowed low to the Oracle. "Messrs. and Misses Oracle," quoth he, "I have decided to answer the riddle."

"And do you know the consequences?" asked the Oracle from its sanctum sanctorum.

"Yes," bravely answered the youth, and pulled his belt a notch tighter. "I have studied for several minutes on the problem and I am willing to stand the consequences."

The Oracle trembled. Now it could flunk no more! Joan of Arc was to the rescue! "Answer," it said in a terrible voice.

The young man raised his hand on high. "That which we need and haven't got is a PAPER; which some people have and don't want is PAPER; and that which is a national necessity is PAPER! And for its wisdom this paper shall be called 'The Sphinx.'"

The Oracle wondered at the young man's discernment and then said, "And now you shall have the reward. I shall now give you that which shall be forever yours."

And the Oracle gave to the young man a position on a newspaper and there he works to this day.

Knowledge!

Miss Erbes—How many classes of strong verbs have we?

Gerald—Three.

Miss Erbes—Name them.

Gerald—I, II, III!

Ruby—Why is English called "the mother tongue"?

James (thoughtfully)—Why—er—its because women use it so much.

Exit James.

Mr. President!

Teacher—Give the duties of a president.

Senior—The duties of a president are to be inaugurated, to preside, to

be a natural-born native, and to be thirty-five years old.

By the Way.

They say that history repeats itself. That statement should be amended. Only natural history repeats itself. Your private history is repeated by your neighbor.

Fashion Hints.

What shall I do to whiten the hand?—D-2.

Answer—Nothing.

Miss B. (in English IV)—Macbeth says, "I hear a voice, 'Sleep no more.'"

Senior—I hear that voice every morning.

Tom, seeing Marguerite's last name on the board, was repeating it.

Marguerite—"Well, for heaven's sakes, if you don't like my name, why don't you change it?"

A Tale of Woe.

Freda had a piece of gum,

It was as white as snow,

And everywhere that Freda went,

That gum was sure to go.

It followed her to school one day,

Which was against the rule,

The teacher took the gum away,

And chewed it after school.

Limericks.

Mary had a little lamb,

Observe the tense, I plea,

For with prices at the present rate,

This could never be!

Kiss her, my boy!

You're a fool if you won't—

She'll scream if you do,

And she'll cry if you don't.

"It's the little things that count," said Gussie, as she pulled her small sister from under the sofa!

Warning by the Squiblet Editor.

IF we have told you the truth, don't be ashamed of it.

IF we have made you sore, remember, we could have told more.

IF we have taken some of the swelling from your head, remember, your hat will fit better.

IF we have caused you to feel puffed up, remember, they are only jokes.

Logic.

Byrren—You are the breath of my life.

Ruby—Well, why don't you hold your breath awhile?

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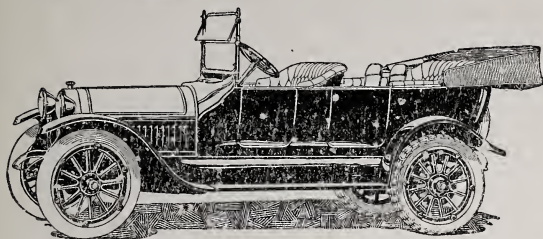
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F. N. Nelms
Matt Brown
Henry Harting
Red Cross Pharmacy
James Teel, Ashley Hotel
Commercial Hotel, Mr. Mundy
Prop., Sandoval, Ill.
Arnold Kohl
Harry Kohl
H. H. Burr
O. C. Dawkins

Everyone Has a McCray Refrigerator in their House

If the above 52 gentlemen should unanimously agree upon something, wouldn't it carry considerable weight with you? Could a more able body be collected together from Centralia's citizens? There are doctors, lawyers, merchants, nurserymen, manufacturers, bankers, monument men and capitalists in the list.

Would a more valuable indorsement be possible? Here are 52 leading citizens. There is not one among them that could not buy the refrigerator of their choice, regardless of the cost. They are also men who, if you knew them, buy good quality. Now, the question is—

Why Did These Men Buy McCray Refrigerators

There is no reasonable way to account for it other than they thought the McCray the best. That is what they did think when they made their selection, and that is what they think now, and they have had them long enough to judge. If you do not know all these gentlemen, you no doubt know one or more. Ask them what they think of the McCray. They will tell you they bought the McCray because—

It is the most sanitary—the temperature is cold but dry—the walls are durably constructed of seven layers of oak, asbestos and mineral wool—the ice consumption, the expensive thing about a refrigerator, is exceedingly small — the McCray is the best refrigerator made.

When you are ready to buy, consider the judgment of these men. That alone should impress you at least enough to look, and if you look, we can easily show you WHY THE McCRAY IS THE BEST.

C. A. Combs

If you can buy it at "The Economy" you
save money.



We have purchased the line of School Books from the Centralia Book Store which has discontinued handling school books.

You will find our stock complete with every book, as well as supplies needed in both the grade and high school.

We will handle both new and second-hand books.

Reinhardt The Jeweler



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Fine Jewelry

Meet
Your
Friends
at the
Red
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Delicious
Dishes



Quality
First
The
Best of
Service
Always

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Drinks

ASK TO SEE

Our complete line of Pyralin Ivory Toilet Articles. You will want to see our exclusive assortment of Eaton, Crane & Pike's Stationery. A new and carefully selected stock.

We have perhaps the largest and most complete assortment of domestic and imported Toilet Articles in the city. Give us a trial; we'll prove our worth.

ANOTHER NOTE IS SENT TO HUERTA

SECRETARY OF STATE BRIAN ADVERTS THAT THE SITUATION DEPENDS UPON HUERTA'S IMMEDIATE REPLY.

STATE DEPARTMENT INVESTIGATING AMERICAN'S KILLED AT HUARAZ

Washington, Dec. 24. — Secretary of State Bryan today announced that the State Department is investigating the killing of an American citizen at Huaraz, Peru, on December 18. The man, whose name is being withheld, was killed by a band of revolutionaries. The State Department is now trying to determine the exact circumstances of the killing and to secure the release of the man's body.

Another man, John J. Smith, was also killed in the same place. The State Department is now trying to determine the exact circumstances of the killing and to secure the release of the man's body.

THE PROMINENT MEN NOW IN THE LIMELIGHT BY WORKING OUT THE MEXICAN SITUATION



SANDOVAL, JNC. WORKS

DEATH PENALTY IS SENTENCE FOR SPENCER

SPENCER WAS PLACED IN THE RE-EDUCATION CAMP AND PLANTS TO BUILD THE SHAPES.

OTHER PRISONERS IN THE INC. RE-EDUCATION CAMP

The prisoners in the camp are being re-educated in the shapes of the letters of the alphabet. The prisoners are being re-educated in the shapes of the letters of the alphabet. The prisoners are being re-educated in the shapes of the letters of the alphabet.

Printers to THE SPHINX

*Egypt's Greatest Daily
Extends Its Sincerest Greetings
To The Class of 1915*

*And its Congratulations to its Lively Little
Contemporary--The Sphinx.*

The Centralia Evening Sentinel endeavors to stand always for those things which are distinctly for the benefit and uplift of the community, and in so doing tries to avoid being pedantic, or a common scold. As such a newspaper, complete with all the news features of the large modern daily, and housed in the largest and most complete newspaper home in the south half of the state, The Sentinel will appreciate your good opinion and support in its effort to constantly grow, and return to our city that full measure of constructive service which is its ambition.

AN ESPECIALLY WELL EQUIPPED PRINTERY

All new and modern machinery for the quick and high - class production of all kinds of printing, including Society and Commercial work, and pamphlet, book and general edition work, is at your command here in Centralia to attend to your needs when your life's work carries you out on the commercial battle-ground.







